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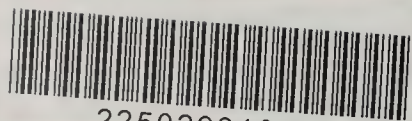
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THE CITY OF
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To:

His Worship the Mayor
and Councillors of the
City of Pietermaritzburg.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present this the Annual Report on the Public Health and Sanitary Circumstances of the City of Pietermaritzburg for the calendar year of 1973. A record of the work carried out by your Public Health Department is included in the report.

The year 1973 has been singularly free of any major outbreak of epidemic disease not only in the City but also in the surrounding areas. The cases of tuberculosis notified in the Borough shewed a slight decrease on the previous year. A point worth mentioning here is the fact that immunisation of infants against Tuberculosis by means of B.C.G. vaccine has been made compulsory by Government with effect from 1st September, 1973. This measure is, in my opinion, long overdue and I feel sure that over the next decade or so, it will be decisive in bringing about the successful control of Pulmonary Tuberculosis in this Country.

The population of the City continues to expand in an orderly manner and the birth and death rates reflect a healthy situation in the Borough. It is a cause for regret that proper statistics of our Bantu population are impossible to obtain from the authorities concerned and this state of affairs invalidates any comparative statistics required for surveys in conjunction with other countries and places.

The year saw some expansion in the services provided by the Public Health Nurses (Health Visitor's) and it is pleasing to note that attention is being paid to the mental health of those attending Child Welfare Clinics as well as to their physical well being. I am happy to acknowledge the great assistance given in our Clinics by Community Mental Health Nurses from Fort Napier and Town Hill Hospitals.

In general, staffing problems have been less than in previous years and I take this opportunity of thanking all staff for their loyal and sustained work carried out during the year.

I must express my appreciation to all the news media for their kind help whenever wanted and to Heads of Departments for their co-operation so freely given.

Lastly to Your Worship and all Councillors, in particular the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee, my sincere thanks for the helpful guidance and advice given me and my Department so freely during the year.

I have the honour to be,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

J.P. O'KEEFE,
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.



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CLIMATE AND RATEABLE VALUE

Latitude - 29 Degrees, 36 minutes, 4 seconds South

Longitude - 30 degrees, 22 minutes, 46 seconds East

Altitude - At Churchill Square - 658,624 m. (2 160 ft.)

TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

1973	RAINFALL		ATMOSPHERIC TEMPERATURE						RELATIVE
	IN mm.		Av. Daily		Av. Daily		Av. Daily		HUMIDITY
	(Measurement in inches bracketed)		Maximum		Minimum		Mean		Av. Daily
			(Fahrenheit temperatures in brackets)						
			C	F	C	F	C	F	
January	234,18	(9,22)	27,8	(82,0)	16,6	(61,9)	21,3	(70,3)	68,4
February	157,48	(6,20)	25,3	(77,6)	15,5	(59,8)	22,1	(71,9)	57,6
March	108,96	(4,29)	28,0	(82,4)	17,8	(64,0)	22,9	(73,2)	74,5
April	89,15	(3,51)	21,9	(71,5)	11,3	(52,2)	17,5	(63,5)	76,8
May	6,85	(,27)	22,5	(72,5)	9,2	(48,7)	16,8	(62,1)	70,4
June	NIL		21,2	(70,2)	3,7	(38,6)	15,5	(59,9)	62,2
July	20,57	(,81)	29,7	(85,6)	8,0	(46,3)	19,4	(67,0)	76,5
August	94,99	(3,74)	23,0	(73,5)	6,8	(44,2)	11,3	(52,3)	64,4
September	56,79	(2,24)	23,95	(75,1)	9,1	(48,3)	17,3	(63,2)	65,0
October	146,30	(5,76)	23,90	(75,0)	11,7	(53,0)	18,8	(65,8)	70,5
November	176,78	(6,96)	24,2	(75,4)	13,4	(56,2)	19,3	(66,9)	73,4
December	97,79	(3,85)	28,6	(83,6)	14,7	(58,6)	22,1	(71,8)	67,0
TOTAL RAINFALL	1189,99 (46,85)								

AREA OF MUNICIPALITY :

Value of Rateable Property : R266 122 990.

Exempted Property : R 86 896 990.

MUNICIPAL RATE : General : Land : 2,5 c in Rand.
Buildings : 0,9 c in Rand.

: Water : Rate : 0,1 c in Rand on Land only.

Total Public Health Expenditure, expressed as a percentage of net
maintenance expenditure of Borough : 6,2%

THE ENVIRONMENT(a) AIR POLLUTION

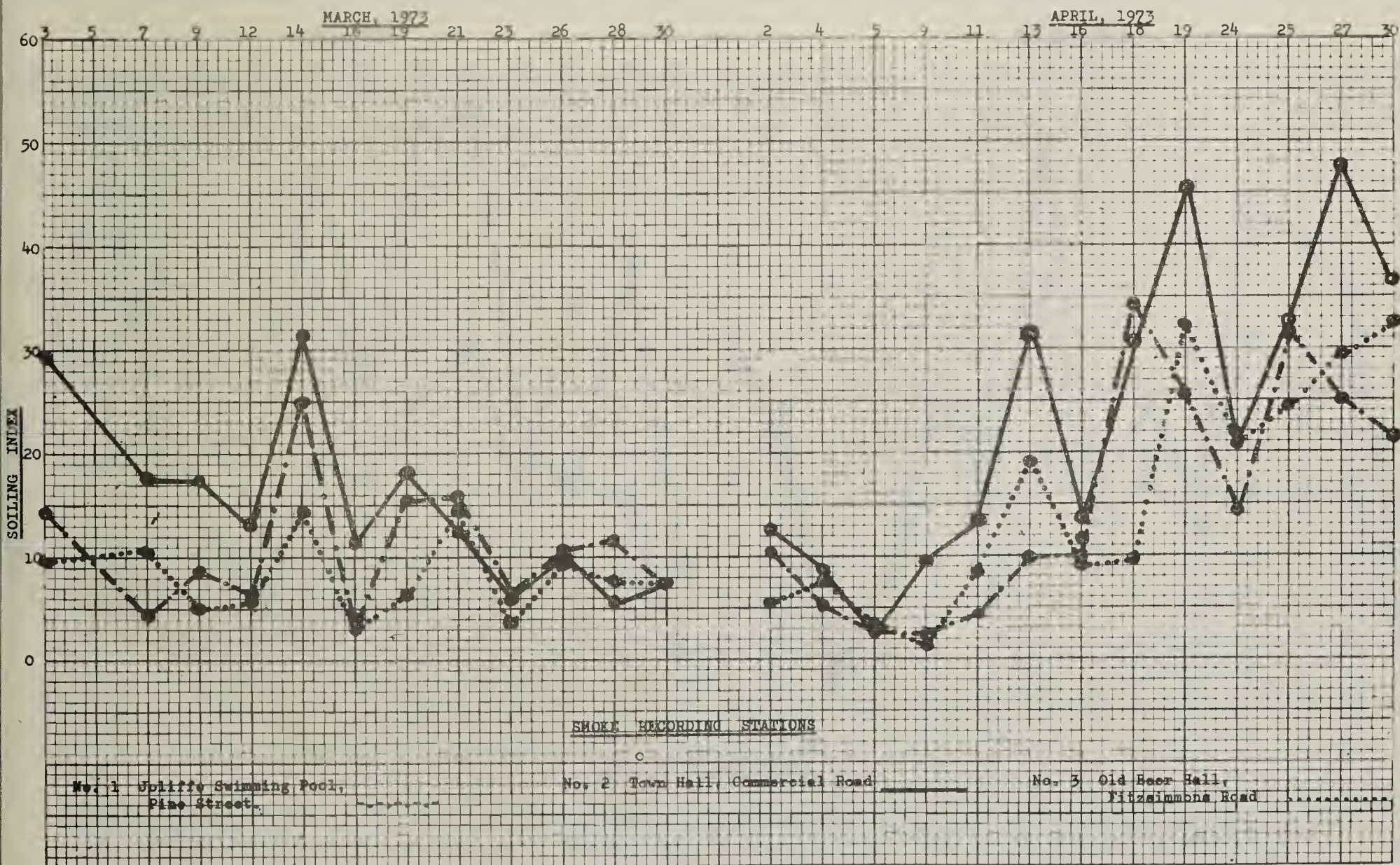
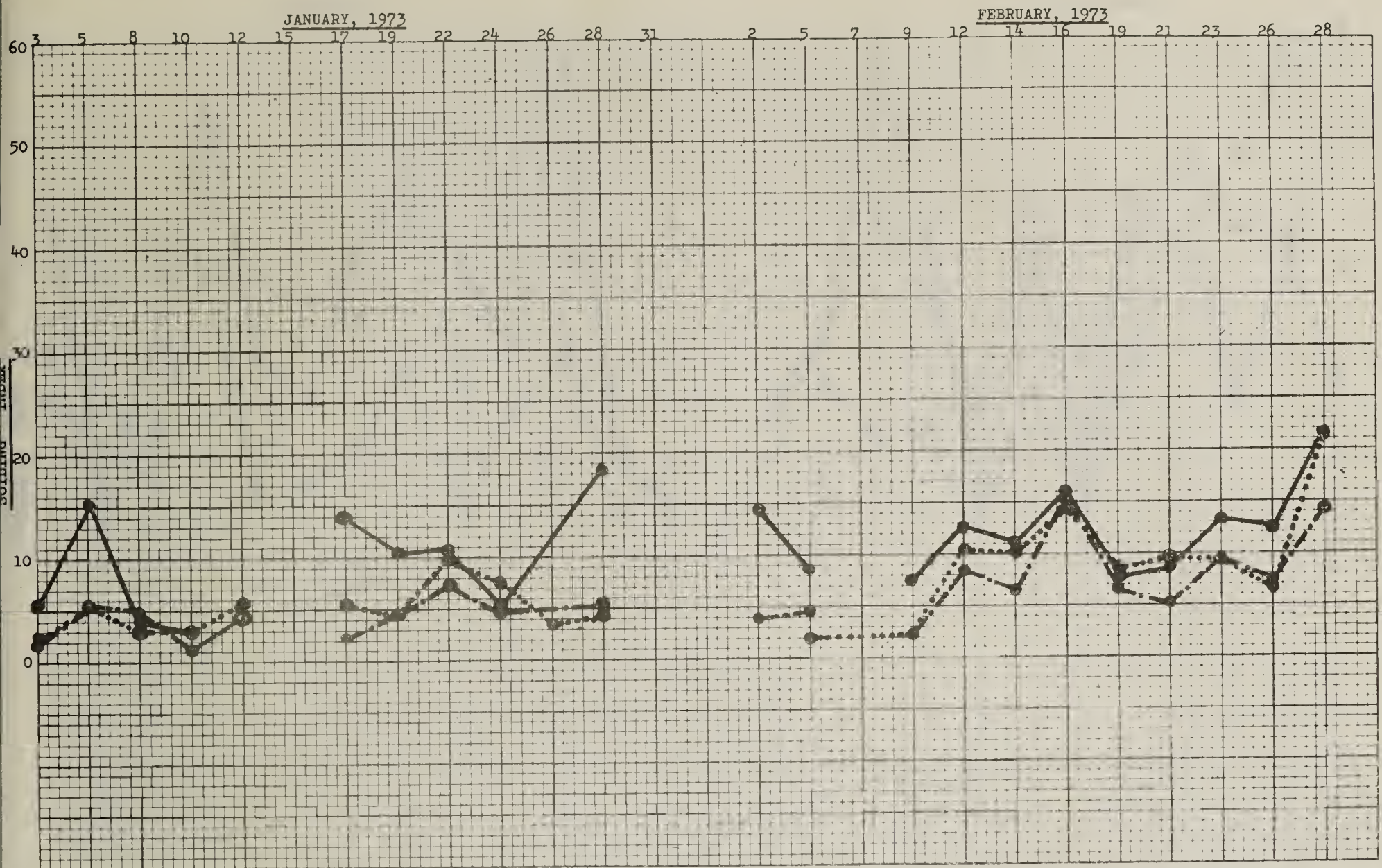
Pietermaritzburg, the Capital City of Natal, lies in a bowl, being surrounded by high hills on three sides and with two small rivers coursing through its central area. This geographical configuration tends to protect it from upland winds to a large extent, so that the central city area becomes subject to higher day temperatures than would otherwise obtain. This configuration also tends to encourage the phenomenon of temperature inversion in the winter months, with consequent smog layer formation over the City in the cold evenings and nights, which disperses in mid morning when the warmth of the sun penetrates the layer. The "smog" which is characteristic of the City's winter climate is caused chiefly by the water vapour ("mist") from the river valley in which the town lies, trapping the smoke particles from house and factory chimneys (and steam engines of the S.A. Railways), this forming the cold inversion layer that overhangs the city until the morning sun warms it up and disperses it for the rest of the day.

The above, in brief, explains why a city the size of Pietermaritzburg, with light industries only and with a large residential area is subject to the nuisance of Air pollution. The pollution as such is not too serious insofar as the smog constituents do not have too deleterious an affect on the health of the citizens. Sulphur dioxide, lead, antimony and mercury contamination is very low or non-existent and of no pathological consequence at present. A careful watch is kept on the establishment of new factories and even on the introduction of new processes in existing factories in order to control and eliminate any new noxious emissions.

Twenty-four hour monitoring of the amount of atmospheric pollution is carried out at three points in the City on a line roughly running from East to West at (a) the old Corporation Brewery, Ohrtmann Road (b) the City Hall and (c) the Joliffe Pine Street Baths. As is to be expected, the overall picture is one of increased pollution in the winter months with the highest "smog" concentrations occurring in the Central area around the City Hall.

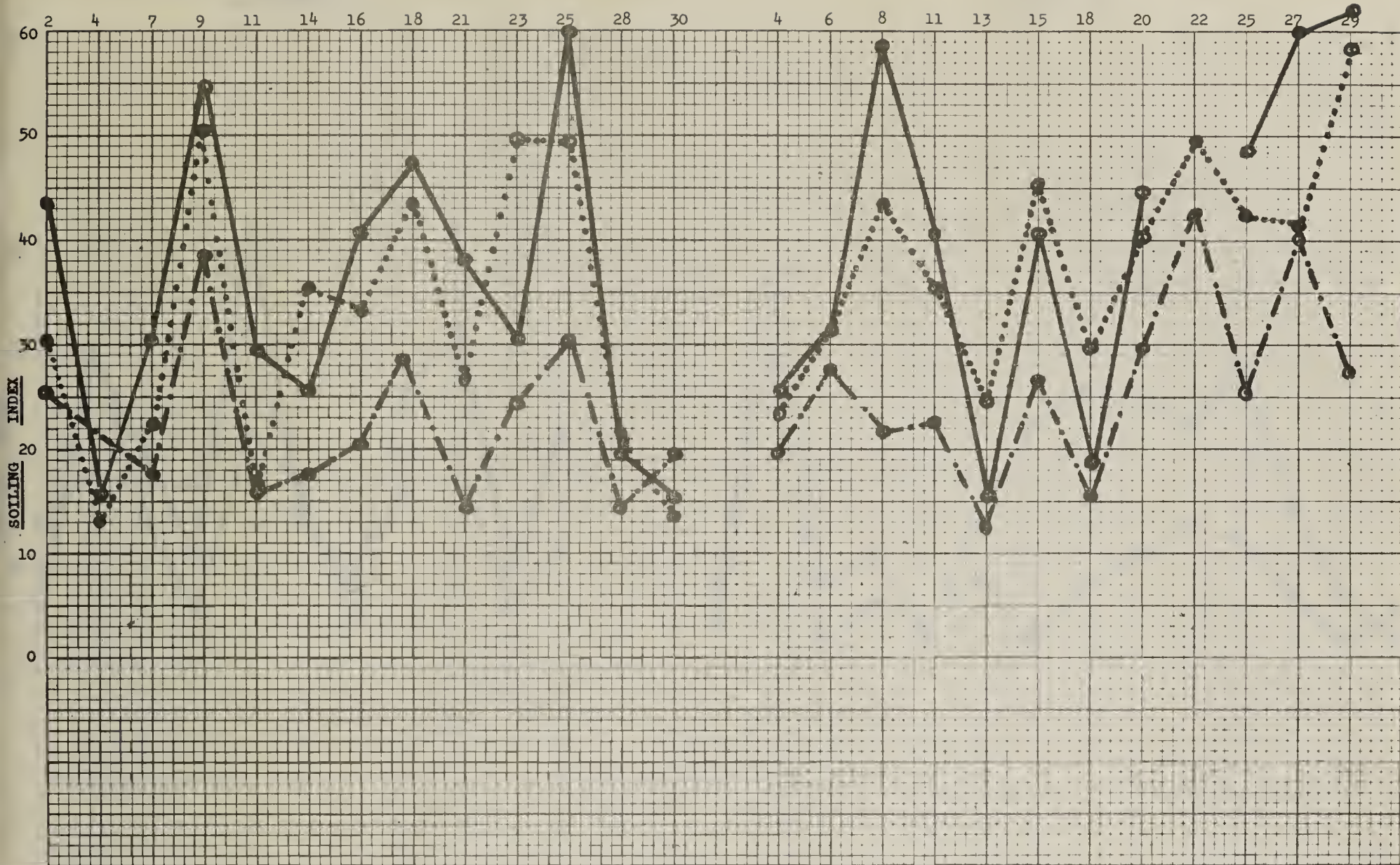
During the year the City Council took the decision to request Central Government to declare Pietermaritzburg a smokeless zone, except for all existing buildings and establishments, and we are at present awaiting Government's approval of this scheme. If implemented, it means that all new suburbs and other development areas will be strictly controlled in regard to smoke and other noxious emissions, thereby limiting the increase of the smog problem in Pietermaritzburg.

The Railways Administration appointed a Smoke Abatement Officer to their Pietermaritzburg establishment, and I must here acknowledge the ready co-operation of this officer with our Smoke Control Officer in attempting to overcome the serious menace of the coal-fired locomotives, particularly on the Greytown line, the Victoria marshalling yards and the loco sheds at Masons Mill. The world oil fuel crisis at the end of the year gave one cause for alarm lest it interfere with the planned replacement of coal-fired locomotives in Pietermaritzburg by diesel electric equipment, but I am assured that the planning already done will be carried through without delay. We should therefore see the advent of diesel electric locomotives in Pietermaritzburg early in 1974, and it is to be hoped that they will bring about a distinct improvement to the environmental scene.



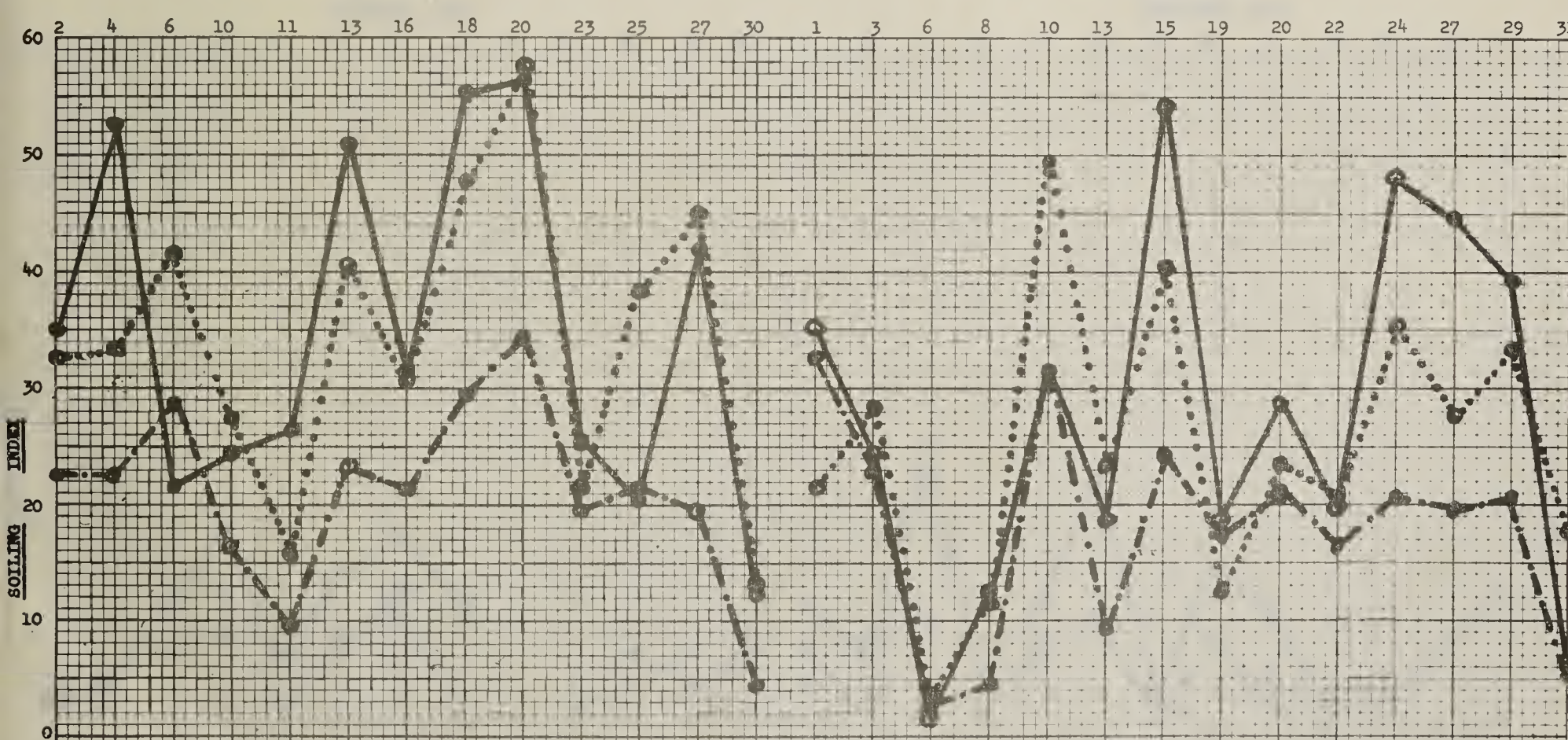
MAY, 1973

JUNE, 1973



JULY, 1973

AUGUST, 1973



SMOKE RECORDING STATIONS

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Pine Street

No. 2 Town Hall, Commercial Road

No. 3 Old Bees Hall,
Fitzsimmons Road

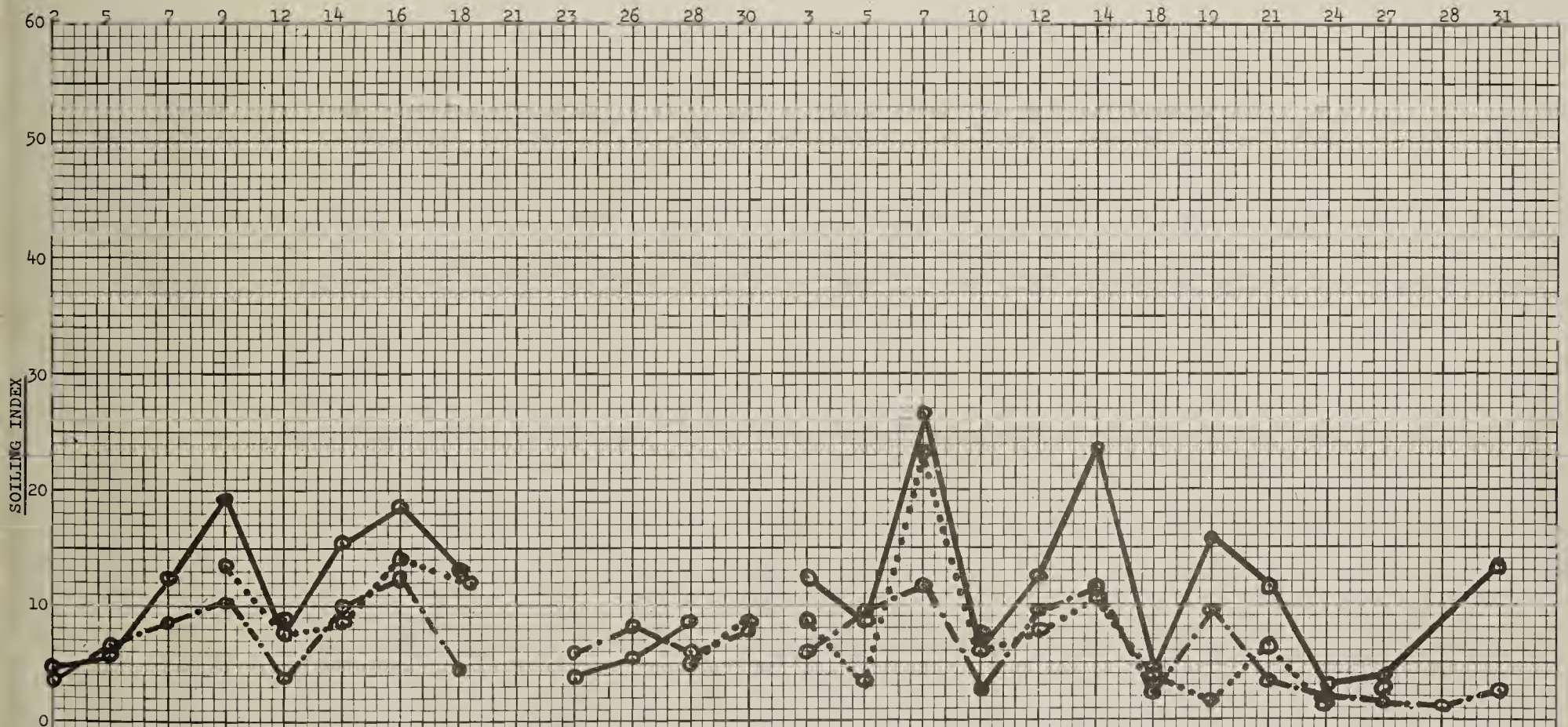
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OCTOBER, 1973



NOVEMBER, 1973

DECEMBER, 1973



SMOKE RECORDING STATIONS

No. 1 Jeliffe Swimming Pool,
Pine Street

No. 2 Town Hall, Commercial Road

No. 3 Old Beer Hall,
Fitzsimmons Road

(a) AIR POLLUTION Continued

Part IV of the Air Pollution Prevention Act of 1965 deals with the control of dust in affected areas (towns etc.). At present, it is only made applicable to towns and cities where mining is taking place, and its application to Pietermaritzburg is not considered necessary at present, insofar as premises which are "dust producers", e.g. timber mills, stone milling works, etc. can be controlled under our existing by-laws.

Part V of the Act deals with air pollution caused by vehicles. At present the requirements of this part of the Act are applicable only to Durban, Cape Town and Bloemfontein, but it is probable that its provisions will soon be applied to this City as well.

(1) VITAL STATISTICSPOPULATION:

The following estimations of population in the White, Coloured and Asian groups are based on the 1960 and May 1970 Government Census figures for Pietermaritzburg. The Bantu figures have been kindly supplied by the Drakensberg Bantu Affairs Administration Board, as these are considered the most reliable available.

	White	Coloured	Bantu	Asian	All Races
Male	22 050	4 865	25 806	19 920	72 641
Female	23 890	4 985	24 524	19 660	73 059
PERSONS	45 940	9 850	50 330	39 580	145 700

TOTAL BIRTHS REGISTERED

(RESIDENTS)

	M a l e			F e m a l e			T o t a l		
	Legit.	Illeg.	Total	Legit.	Illeg.	Total	Legit.	Illeg.	Total
White	343	26	369	440	22	462	783	48	831
Coloured	144	57	201	113	40	153	257	97	354
Bantu	104	134	238	129	155	284	233	289	522
Asian	712	20	732	645	21	666	1357	41	1398
TOTAL	1303	237	1540	1327	238	1565	2630	475	3105

	Percentage of Illeg. to All Births	Birth Rate per 1 000 Population
White	5,8 %	18,1
Coloured	27,3 %	35,9
Bantu	55,4 %	9,6
Asian	2,9 %	35,7
ALL RACES	15,3 %	21,4

LEADING VITAL STATISTICS
YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1973
(Rates for 1972 in brackets for comparison)

POPULATION	WHITE	COLOURED	BANTU	ASIAN	ALL RACES
	45 940	9 850	50 330	39 580	145 700
<u>BIRTHS:</u> Registered Rate per 1 000 population	831 18,1 (21,7)	354 35,9 (30,7)	522 9,6 (10,8)	1 398 35,7 (34,7)	3 105 21,4 (22,2)
<u>BIRTHS:</u> Illegitimate Percentage of total births	48 5,8 (4,4)	97 27,3 (26,1)	289 55,4 (53,5)	41 2,9 (2,7)	475 15,3 (14,0)
<u>INFANT MORTALITY:</u> Rate per 1000 births	14 16,9 (18,3)	16 45,2 (68,5)	48 93,5 (65,3)	35 25 (36,2)	113 36,4 (38,4)
<u>STILL BIRTHS:</u> Rate per 1000 births	6 7,1 (6,0)	3 8,5 (6,0)	2 4,0 (20,0)	19 13,6 (20,0)	30 9,9 (52,0)
<u>DEATHS:</u> Crude rate per 1000 population (Corrected for outward transfer)	411 8,9 (10,5)	69 7,0 (8,2)	221 4,4 (2,8)	234 5,9 (6,5)	935 6,3 (6,6)
<u>DEATHS:</u> Children 1 - 4 years inc. Rate per 1000 population	1 0,02 (0,1)	2 0,2 (0,4)	21 0,4 (0,4)	15 0,4 (0,3)	39 0,3 (0,3)
<u>DEATHS:</u> Malignant & other Neoplasms (A44 - A60) Rate per 1000 population	68 1,5 (1,7)	9 0,9 (0,4)	19 0,4 (0,2)	11 0,3 (0,5)	108 0,7 (0,7)
<u>DEATHS:</u> Circulatory System (A79 - A86) Rate per 1000 population	166 3,6 (4,0)	15 1,5 (1,6)	34 0,7 (0,3)	73 1,9 (1,9)	288 2,0 (2,0)
<u>DEATHS:</u> Respiratory System (inc. PTB) (A1 & A87 - 97) Rate per 1000 population	51 1,1 (1,3)	12 1,2 (1,5)	43 0,9 (0,5)	38 0,9 (0,5)	144 1,0 (0,8)

DEATHS
TOTAL DEATHS REGISTERED (RESIDENTS)

	MALE		FEMALE		PERSONS			
	Deaths All Ages	Rate per 1000 Male Population	Deaths All Ages	Rate per 1000 Female Population	Deaths All Ages	Rate per 1000 Population	Deaths under 45 Years	Percentage of all Deaths
WHITE	229	10,4	182	7,6	411	9,0	53	12,9
COLOURED	44	9,5	25	5,0	69	7,0	29	42,0
BANTU	129	5,0	92	3,7	221	4,4	124	56,1
ASIAN	121	6,5	113	5,7	234	6,0	100	42,7
ALL RACES	523	7,3	412	5,5	935	6,4	306	32,8

The collection of Bantu death details has again proved difficult so all Bantu statistics (and those under the "All Race" category) must be considered inaccurate.

SEASONAL OCCURRENCE OF ALL DEATHS

	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			ALL RACES		
	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P
JANUARY	26	18	44	6	1	7	10	3	13	10	4	14	52	26	78
FEBRUARY	19	7	26	1	2	3	14	14	28	7	4	11	41	27	68
MARCH	11	7	18	3	5	8	15	13	28	16	8	24	45	33	78
APRIL	20	19	39	5	2	7	17	4	21	12	16	28	54	41	95
MAY	22	18	40	1	-	1	13	8	21	13	4	17	49	30	79
JUNE	25	35	60	4	-	4	12	12	24	11	9	20	52	56	108
JULY	21	25	46	9	2	11	7	9	16	14	16	30	51	52	103
AUGUST	24	15	39	3	1	4	5	4	9	12	12	24	44	32	76
SEPTEMBER	25	10	35	3	6	9	7	10	17	14	8	22	49	34	83
OCTOBER	17	15	32	3	4	7	9	3	12	9	8	17	38	30	68
NOVEMBER	6	8	14	2	-	2	7	7	14	3	16	19	18	31	49
DECEMBER	13	5	18	4	2	6	13	5	18	-	8	8	30	20	50
TOTAL	229	182	411	44	25	69	129	92	221	121	113	234	523	412	935

DEATHS OF RESIDENTS IN AGE GROUPS

	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			ALL RACES		
	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P
Under 1 Year	11	3	14	13	3	16	26	22	48	19	16	35	69	44	113
1 - 2 Years	1	-	1	1	1	2	10	11	21	10	5	15	22	17	39
3 - 4 Years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 14 Years	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	4	2	6	6	4	10
15 - 24 Years	9	-	9	1	1	2	3	4	7	8	4	12	21	9	30
25 - 34 Years	2	4	6	2	-	2	13	4	17	9	4	13	26	12	38
35 to 44 Years	13	7	20	6	1	7	22	8	30	8	11	19	49	27	76
Total : 0 - 44 Years	37	16	53	23	6	29	75	49	124	58	42	100	193	113	306
45 - 54 Years	29	13	42	5	4	9	23	9	32	17	10	27	74	36	110
55 - 64 Years	41	23	64	8	6	14	20	14	34	23	24	47	92	67	159
65 - 74 Years	66	43	109	6	5	11	7	13	20	16	17	33	95	78	173
75 - 84 Years	35	44	79	2	2	4	2	5	7	5	14	19	44	65	109
85 Years and over	21	43	64	-	2	2	2	2	4	2	6	8	25	53	78
TOTAL	229	182	411	44	25	69	129	92	221	121	113	234	523	412	935

SUMMARY OF CAUSES OF DEATH (RESIDENTS ONLY)

(Classified into groups and expressed as a percentage of all deaths)

	WHITE	COLOURED	BANTU	ASIAN	ALL RACES
A1 - A5 Tuberculosis	0 : 0%	0 : 0%	10 : 4,5%	3 : 1,3%	13 : 1,4%
A44 - A49 Malignant and other neoplasms excluding lung	47 : 11,8%	9 : 13,0%	15 : 6,8%	10 : 4,2%	81 : 8,8%
& A51 - A58	21 : 5,2%	0 : 0%	4 : 1,8%	1 : 0,4%	26 : 2,8%
A50 Cancer of Lung (Primary)	39 : 9,8%	5 : 7,2%	6 : 2,7%	27 : 11,5%	77 : 8,3%
A70 Vascular lesions of Central Nervous System	96 : 24,0%	7 : 10,0%	4 : 1,8%	40 : 17,1%	147 : 15,8%
A81 Arteriosclerotic and degenerative heart disease	54 : 13,0%	7 : 10,0%	23 : 10,4%	29 : 12,8%	113 : 12,1%
A79, A80 Other heart diseases					
A82 & A83	47 : 11,7%	11 : 15,9%	32 : 14,5%	33 : 13,6%	123 : 13,2%
A88-A93 Influenza, Pneumonia and Bronchitis	1 : 0,2%	2 : 2,9%	27 : 12,3%	7 : 3,0%	37 : 3,9%
A104 Gastro-enteritis and Colitis, except of new born	9 : 2,2%	1 : 1,4%	0 : 0%	2 : 0,9%	12 : 1,3%
A105 Cirrhosis of Liver	2 : 0,4%	1 : 1,4%	2 : 0,9%	3 : 1,3%	8 : 0,9%
A127-A129 Congenital malformations					
A130-A135 Diseases of early infancy, including gastro-enteritis and hypp-proteinaemia	10 : 2,4%	8 : 11,6%	2 : 0,9%	16 : 6,8%	36 : 3,8%
A136-A137 Senility and ill-defined causes	8 : 2,0%	7 : 10,0%	32 : 14,5%	10 : 4,2%	57 : 6,1%
AE138 Motor vehicle accidents	9 : 2,3%	2 : 2,9%	7 : 3,2%	4 : 1,7%	22 : 2,4%
AE148 Suicide	6 : 1,5%	1 : 1,4%	0 : 0%	2 : 0,9%	9 : 1,0%
All other accidents	6 : 1,5%	0 : 0%	7 : 3,2%	1 : 0,4%	14 : 1,5%
Residue of all deaths	56 : 13,1%	8 : 11,6%	50 : 22,7%	46 : 19,6%	160 : 17,2%

DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM

(CODE NOS. A.79 - 86)

RESIDENTS : DEATHS IN AGE GROUPS

	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			ALL RACES		
	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P
Under 25 Years	0	1	1	-	-	-	0	1	1	1	2	3	1	4	5
25 - 34 Years	0	0	0	-	-	-	0	0	0	2	1	3	2	1	3
35 - 44 Years	4	2	6	3	1	4	3	0	3	1	3	4	11	6	17
45 - 54 Years	17	1	18	2	0	2	6	6	12	11	3	14	36	10	46
55 - 64 Years	16	8	24	1	3	4	6	6	12	9	13	22	32	30	62
65 - 74 Years	33	22	55	2	1	3	2	3	5	7	10	17	44	36	80
75 - 84 Years	15	20	35	1	1	2	0	1	1	2	5	7	18	27	45
85 Years and Over	9	18	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	10	20	30
TOTAL	94	72	166	9	6	15	17	17	34	34	39	73	154	133	288

DEATHS DUE TO RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS

(CODE A.87 - A.97)

RESIDENTS (GIVEN IN MONTHS OF THE YEAR)

	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			ALL RACES		
	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P
January, 1973	2	2	4	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	4	2	6
February	1	3	4	-	-	-	2	1	3	1	-	1	4	4	8
March	1	-	1	1	-	1	2	2	4	2	-	2	6	2	8
April	2	3	5	1	-	1	2	3	5	5	3	8	10	9	19
May	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	1	1	6	-	6	8	3	11
June	5	6	11	2	-	2	3	1	4	1	4	5	11	11	22
July	3	1	4	2	-	2	-	1	1	2	1	3	7	3	10
August	4	4	8	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	4	7	6	13
September	3	3	6	1	1	2	1	3	4	-	3	3	5	10	15
October	1	1	2	1	-	1	2	1	3	1	-	1	5	2	7
November	-	1	1	1	-	1	2	3	5	-	-	-	3	4	7
December	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	2	2	1	4	5
TOTAL	24	27	51	11	1	12	16	17	33	20	15	35	71	60	131

DEATHS DUE TO RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS
(CODE A87 - A97)

RESIDENTS (GIVEN IN AGE GROUPS)

	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			ALL RACES		
	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P
Under 1 Year	1		1	3		3	6	8	14	4	3	7	14	11	25
1 - 2 Years	1		1	1		1	3	3	6	3	2	5	8	5	13
3 - 4 Years															
5 - 14 Years										1	1	2	1	1	2
15 - 24 Years															
25 - 34 Years							1		1		1	1	1	1	2
35 - 44 Years	3	2	5	1		1				2	2	4	6	4	10
TOTAL: 0-44 Years	5	2	7	5		5	10	11	21	10	9	19	30	22	52
45 - 54 Years	1	1	2	2		2	2	1	3		1	1	5	3	8
55 - 64 Years	3	2	5	1		1	2	2	4	5	1	6	11	5	16
65 - 74 Years	4	5	9	2		2	2	2	4	2		2	10	7	17
75 - 84 Years	6	5	11	1		1		1	1	2	3	5	9	9	18
85 Years and Over	5	12	17		1	1				1	1	2	6	14	20
TOTAL	24	27	51	11	1	12	16	17	33	20	15	35	71	60	131

	AGE 0 - 24						25 - 44						45 - 64						65 & OVER						TOTAL					
	WHITE			N-WHITE			WHITE			N-WHITE			WHITE			N-WHITE			WHITE			N-WHITE			WHITE			N-WHITE		
	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F
A44 Buccal Cavity																														
A45 Oesophagus																														
A46 Stomach																														
A47 Intestine, except Rectum																														
A48 Rectum																														
A49 Larynx																														
A50 Trachea, Bronchus & Lung																														
A51 Breast																														
A52 Cervix Uteri																														
A53 Other Parts of Uterus																														
A54 Prostate																														
A55 Skin																														
A56 Bone & Connective Tissue																														
A57 Other Unspecified Sites																														
A58 Leukaemia																														
A59 Lymphosarcoma																														
A60 Benign Neoplasms																														
TOTAL																														

ACCIDENTS, POISONINGS AND VIOLENCE - DEATHS

"E" CODE

	AGE 0-24				25 - 44				45 - 64				65 & OVER				TOTAL			
	WHITE		N-WHITE		WHITE		N-WHITE		WHITE		N-WHITE		WHITE		N-WHITE		WHITE		N-WHITE	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
AE138 Motor Vehicle Accident	3		3	1	3	1	7				1	1	2				8	1	11	2
AE139 Other Transport Accidents	1										1						1		1	
AE140 Accidental Poisoning							1												1	
AE141 Accidental Falls															1				1	
AE142 Accident caused by Machinery	2																2			
AE143 Accident caused by Fire or Explosion																				
AE144 Accident caused by Hot Substance, Corrosive Liquid, Steam and Radiation																				
AE145 Accident caused by Firearm																				
AE146 Accidental Drowning			1																1	
AE147 All Other Accidental Causes	1		1				1				2		1				2		4	
AE148 Suicide	2		1			1					1		2				4	2	2	
AE149 Homicide (Not in War)			1	1	1		7	1			1						1		9	2
TOTAL	9		7	2	4	2	16	1			1	6	1	5	1		18	3	30	4

SEASONAL OCCURRENCE OF DEATHS FROM MOTOR VEHICLE AND
OTHER TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(CODE Nos. AEL38 and AEL39)
(Residents Only)

	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
January	1		1				1		1				2		2
February	2		2		1	1	2	1	3	1		1	5	2	7
March							1		1				1		1
April															
May	1		1				2		2				3		3
June	2	1	3				1		1				3	1	4
July															
August	1		1							1		1	2		2
September	1		1										1		1
October	1		1										1		1
November												2	2		2
December													1		1
TOTAL	9	1	10	1	1	2	7	1	8	4		4	21	3	24

CAUSES OF DEATH

(Classified according to International Intermediate List of 150 Causes from Seventh Revision, W.H.O., 1948)

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Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL				
		Tot.		1972	Tot.		1972	Tot.		1972	Tot.		1972	Tot.		1972		
		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F			
A 1	Tuberculosis of resp. system							1	8	2	4	2	1	3	10	3	13	8
A 2	Tuberculosis of meninges & central nervous system								1		2				1		1	2
A 3	Tuberculosis of intestines, peritoneum & mesenteric glands								1		1				1		1	
A 6	Congenital syphilis							1	1						1		1	
A 16	Dysentery, all forms								1						1		1	
A 17	Scarlet Fever								2						6	3	9	1
A 20	Septicaemia & pyaemia	2		2				1	2		4	2	1	3	2		9	1
A 21	Diphtheria								2						6	2	8	3
A 23	Meningococcal infecns.								2						3	6	9	1
A 24	Plague								1		1							
A 32	Measles								1		1							
A 33	Yellow Fever																	
A 43	All other diseases classified as infective & parasitic																	
A 44	Malignant neoplasm of buccal cavity and pharynx																	
A 45	Malignant neoplasm of oesophagus	2	2	4														
A 46	Malignant neoplasm of stomach	1		1				1	1		3				3	1	4	4
A 47	Malignant neoplasm of intestine, except rectum	3	1	4					1						5	1	6	7
A 48	Malignant neoplasm of rectum	1	2	3											1	4	5	7
A 49	Malignant neoplasm of larynx								1						2	1	3	4
A 50	Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus & lung, not specified as secondary	1		1					1		2				2	1	3	
A 51	Malignant neoplasm of breast	20	1	21					4		1				25	1	26	19
			4	4												7	7	8

Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE				COLOURED				BANTU				ASIAN				TOTAL	
		M		F		M		F		M		F		M		F		Tot.	1972
		1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.	1972	Tot.		
A 52	Malignant neoplasm of cervix uteri					1				2						1		4	
A 53	Malignant neoplasm of other & unspecified parts of uterus		3			4			1							2	4	6	
A 54	Malignant neoplasm of prostate	3	3											1	4		4	1	
A 55	Malignant neoplasm of skin	2	2			2									2		2	2	
A 56	Malignant neoplasm of bone & connective tissue															1		1	
A 57	Malignant neoplasm of all other and unspecified sites							5											
A 58	Leukaemia & aleukaemia	8	17			19		4		2						3		25	
A 59	Lymphosarcoma & other neoplasms of lymphatic & haematopoietic system		1			4				1								5	
A 60	Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of unspecified nature	1	3			3										2	4	5	
A 63	Diabetes mellitus	3	2																
A 64	Avitaminosis & other deficiency states		4			2				2						19	11	23	
A 65	Anaemias	2	3			1				3						1	6	5	
A 66	Allergic disorders; all other endocrine, metabolic & blood disease							2		5								8	
A 67	Psychoses		2			3				1						4	4	10	
A 70	Vascular lesions affecting central nervous system								1	2						2	2	3	
A 71	Non-meningococcal meningitis	14	39			56			2	7						34	77	108	
A 73	Epilepsy	1	1			1												2	
A 76	Glaucoma	1	1															1	

Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL		
		M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F	M		F
		Tot.	1972		Tot.	1972		Tot.	1972		Tot.	1972		Tot.	1972	
A 78	All other diseases of nervous system and sense organs							1			1			2		
A 80	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	1	5		1	1			2		1			3		8
A 81	Arteriosclerotic and degenerative heart disease		126		6	10		2	11		18	50		56	197	
A 82	Other diseases of heart	19	9	31	1	3		11	1	9	15	9	55	101	22	
A 83	Hypertension with heart disease	2	14	1	2	1		2		1		7	5	9	22	
A 84	Hypertension without mention of heart		2					1			1		3	5	3	
A 85	Diseases of arteries	8	25	13	1		1	1		4	1	6	12	22	31	
A 86	Other diseases of circulatory system	1		1									1	1		
A 87	Acute upper respiratory infections				1									1		1
A 88	Influenza		1			1								1		1
A 89	Lobar pneumonia	4	7	3	2			2	5	3	1		6	15	12	
A 90	Bronchopneumonia	14	15	14	4	6		9	10	13	11	19	39	77	50	
A 91	Primary atypical, other and unspecified pneumonia	1	20	6	3			4	7	1	3	6	10	21	39	
A 92	Acute bronchitis	3		2	1	1									2	
A 93	Bronchitis, chronic & unqualified		6								4	3	3	10	9	
A 95	Empyema & abscess of lung		1												1	
A 97	All other respiratory diseases	2	10	4				1	2		2		2	7	12	
A 99	Ulcer of stomach	1	2	1										1	2	
A100	Ulcer of duodenum	1	5	2								1	2	3	6	
A101	Gastritis and duodenitis		1								1		2	3	1	
A103	Intestinal obstruction and hernia		6	1										4	7	
A104	Gastro-enteritis & colitis, exc. diarrhoea of newborn	1	1	1	1	2	1	15	11	12	2	14	19	37	27	

Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE				COLOURED				BANTU				ASIAN				TOTAL			
		Tot.		1972		Tot.		1972		Tot.		1972		Tot.		1972		Tot.		1972	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
A105	Cirrhosis of Liver	8	1	9	10		1	1	1			5	1	1	2	9	3	12	16		
A106	Cholelithiasis and cholecystitis										1					1		1	1		
A107	Other diseases of digestive system	3	1	4	5		3					2			5	9	1	10	10		
A108	Acute nephritis				1						1						1	1	1		
A109	Chronic, other and unspecified nephritis	4	6	10	11		2				1	4			2	5	8	13	19		
A110	Infections of kidney															1		1	1		
A114	Other diseases of genito-urinary system		1	1	1		1									1	2	2	2		
A116	Toxaemias of pregnancy and puerperium										2						2	2			
A117	Haemorrhage of pregnancy & childbirth										2										
A119	Abortion with sepsis														1		1	1			
A122	Arthritis & spondylitis.	1		1								1				1		1	1		
A126	All other diseases of skin & musculoskeletal system																				
A127	Spina bifida and meningocele				1																
A128	Congenital malformations of circulatory system																				
A129	All other congenital malformations	2		2	1													2	2		
A130	Birth injuries					1	1		1			1			2	5	1	6	2		
A131	Postnatal asphyxia and atelectasis	4		4	1	4	4					1			7	12	4	16	7		
A132	Infections of newborn	1	1	2			2									1	1	2	3		
A133	Haemolytic disease of newborn	1		1	1						1	1				1		1	4		
A134	All other defined diseases of early infancy.	1	1	2		1	1								1	3	1	4			
A135	Ill-defined diseases pec. to early infancy and immaturity unqualified																				
A136	Senility without mention of psychosis	1	2	3	11		1					10	5		7	6	3	9	47		
											1	3			1	2	4	6	16		

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CAUSES OF DEATH

Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL		
		1972			1972			1972			1972			1972		
		M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.
AL37	Ill-defined & unknown causes of morbidity and mortality															
AE138	Motor vehicle accidents	8	5	5	4	2	6	14	17	31	5	4	9	23	28	51
AE139	Other transport accidents	1	1	9	1	1	2	6	1	7	4		4	19	3	22
AE140	Accidental poisoning			1				1		1				2		2
AE141	Accidental falls							1		1				1		1
AE142	Accident caused by machinery	2		2				1		1				2		2
AE143	Accident caused by fire & explosion of combustible material															
AE144	Accident caused by hot substance, corrosive liquid, steam and radiation															1
AE146	Accidental drowning and submersion															
AE147	All other accidental causes	2		2				1		1				1		1
AE148	Suicide and self-inflicted injury							3		3				6		6
AE149	Homicide & injury purposely inflicted by other persons (not in war)	1	2	6	1	1	1							6	3	9
				1				9	1	11				10	2	12
		229	182	411	44	25	69	129	135	221	121	113	234	523	412	935
	TOTAL															925

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The year did not reveal any serious outbreak of notifiable infectious disease, and this conformed with the tendency throughout the Republic. Viral hepatitis cases keep cropping up sporadically in different institutions but no common denominator can be found to link one outbreak with another.

It will be noted that 22 cases of encephalitis were notified during the year. Most notifications did not qualify this bald diagnosis in any way nor hazard an opinion as to whether the cases occurred as complications of some other clinical condition, or whether they were arthropod-borne or what.

A close watch has been kept on gastro-intestinal and dysenteric cases during the year, but no severe outbreaks have been noted.

As regards non-notifiable infectious disease, virus influenza continued to cause trouble during the winter months - the strains responsible being varied. Outbreaks in all sections of the community lead to interference with the economic life of the community and for this, if no other more personal reason, the public should be educated to isolate themselves for the acute phase of the disease, thus restricting, if not preventing, spread to others. Early acceptance by individuals at risk of polyvalent vaccine should also have a beneficial effect on the general fitness of the community. The actual incidence of influenza in the community is not accurately known and for this reason, it can be argued that the morbidity of any outbreak could be better assessed were the disease to be made notifiable.

TUBERCULOSIS

STAFF: Medical Officer (part-time), two White and two Bantu Health Visitors, and two Bantu Health Assistants, all of whom are employed full-time.

The major aspect of the Tuberculosis Clinic Staff's work during 1973 was concentration on preventive measures. For most of the year, all school newcomers (excluding the White group) were routinely Heaf tested and, where necessary, given BCG vaccination. This procedure was also carried out on school leavers when possible.

In addition, arrangements were made for all new-born babies at Grey's Hospital to receive BCG inoculations. These included the White, Coloured and Asian race groups.

As stated elsewhere, BCG immunisation of infants was made compulsory by the Government with effect from 1st September, 1973. The immediate effect, unfortunately, was that Government medical stores ran out of vaccine stocks, and these remained virtually unobtainable for the rest of the year! So that, in Pietermaritzburg, the vaccination campaign against Tuberculosis was halted and all planning in this regard delayed by several months in consequence.

There was a decline in the total attendance at the Clinic to 10 883 (1972 - 12 321), as well as the number of home visits - 7 413 as against 10 713 the previous year.

In conformity with modern concepts of the therapy of active pulmonary tuberculosis, every effort is made to treat active cases on an out-patient regime and so avoid admitting patients to hospital with all the psychological and emotional upset that such involves. The housing occupied by T.B. out-patients is carefully checked, extra rations are distributed to the needy and periodic re-appraisals are made of contacts.

Less use is being made of Streptomycin because of its several serious side effects and the drug of choice is at present "Neotizide".

The following notified cases were on our Tuberculosis register as at 31st December, 1973 (1972 figures in brackets):

	<u>White</u>	<u>Coloured</u>	<u>Bantu</u>	<u>Asian</u>	<u>Total</u>
Pulmonary T.B.	139 (145)	152 (136)	2733 (2927)	532 (600)	3556 (3808)
Non-Pulmonary T.B.	3 (2)	- (1)	- (1)	3 (3)	6 (7)

Heaf Tests Carried Out

	(1) First Tests				(2) Following BCG Administration			
	White	Col.	Bantu	Asian	White	Col.	Bantu	Asian
Positive	41	246	1491	472	3	5	4	11
Negative	924	1237	1535	4302	1	-	-	1
Doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not Read	40	29	280	97	-	1	-	2
Total	1005	1562	3306	4871	4	6	4	14

BCG Inoculations	:	White	:	1097
		Coloured	:	1436
		Bantu	:	1211
		Asian	:	4455
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		TOTAL	:	8199
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Pulmonary T.B. Hospital Admissions: Admissions to the Non-European Infectious Diseases Hospital totalled 155, of which 63 were Borough cases (16 Coloureds, 36 Bantu and 11 Asians) and 92 Out-of-Borough cases (3 Coloureds, 85 Bantu and 4 Asians). Last year's totals were 76 In-Borough cases and 277 Out-of-Borough cases.

Two Whites, admitted to Grey's Hospital for other causes, were found to have Pulmonary Tuberculosis. A total of 28 Pulmonary T.B. cases were admitted to other hospitals (see Page 3 Chapter II).

Supplementary Rations: A maximum of 27 Pulmonary T.B. patients, who are unfit for work, are provided with rations, issued weekly and varying according to race. These consist of high-protein and carbohydrate items. A 500 g. packet of Nespray is issued in lieu of milk, as this proves more convenient to the many aided patients who do not have refrigerators. During 1973, 2 800 packets of Nespray were distributed. Further, free transport to collect the rations is provided.

In addition, the Natal Anti-T.B. Association also assists a number of patients and their dependants. These include approximately 30 per month notified from the Local Health Commission, Edendale, and the balance from the Municipal Tuberculosis Clinic, the local S.A.N.T.A. Centre, and district clinics.

During the year, a total of 911 cases (two Whites, 15 Coloureds, 883 Bantu and 11 Asians) were assisted.

The following tables illustrate the trend in notifications and deaths from this disease over the period 1955 - 1973:

PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS
PIETERMARITZBURG

	NOTIFICATIONS					DEATHS				
	White	Col.	Bantu	As.	Total	White	Col.	Bantu	As.	Total
1955	14	9	75	31	129	0	2	11	2	15
1956	8	14	86	11	119	0	0	3	4	7
1957	11	11	84	23	129	2	1	14	2	19
1958	13	10	83	24	130	2	0	11	8	21
1959	9	6	97	21	133	1	0	9	2	12
1960	8	10	92	30	140	0	0	10	2	12
1961	4	3	80	23	110	1	2	6	1	10
1962	12	18	107	30	167	1	1	3	2	7
1963	3	14	80	21	118	1	0	2	0	3
1964	11	18	90	22	141	1	0	4	1	6
1965	5	13	72	36	126	0	0	5	3	8
1966	8	6	107	23	144	1	1	3	2	7
1967	5	24	129	48	206	0	1	3	0	4
1968	9	20	111	30	170	1	3	6	0	10
1969	8	13	132	37	190	2	1	3	3	9
1970	14	13	117	45	189	0	1	5	0	6
1971	6	21	121	39	187	1	3	3	0	7
1972	5	12	119	48	184	1	1	4	2	8
1973	15	30	87	46	178	0	0	10	3	13

NON-PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS
PIETERMARITZBURG

	NOTIFICATIONS					DEATHS				
	White	Col.	Bantu	As.	Total	White	Col.	Bantu	As.	Total
1955	1	1	4	3	9	1	0	3	0	4
1956	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	1
1957	4	1	2	1	8	0	1	2	1	4
1958	1	1	4	2	8	0	0	4	1	5
1959	0	1	3	3	7	1	0	3	1	5
1960	0	2	1	2	5	0	0	4	0	4
1961	0	0	3	4	7	0	0	1	1	2
1962	0	1	2	2	5	0	0	0	0	0
1963	2	0	2	1	5	1	0	1	1	3
1964	0	1	7	4	12	0	0	3	0	3
1965	1	0	5	2	8	0	0	2	0	2
1966	0	0	4	4	8	0	0	1	1	2
1967	2	0	4	2	8	0	0	0	1	1
1968	1	1	3	1	6	0	0	0	0	0
1969	2	0	1	6	9	0	0	1	1	2
1970	0	3	1	7	11	0	2	4	0	6
1971	0	0	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	0
1972	2	1	2	3	8	0	0	2	0	2
1973	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	1

1973 - TUBERCULOSIS OUT-PATIENTS - PIETERMARITZBURG.

	WHITE						COLOURED						BANTU						ASIAN						TOTAL					
	Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.		
	M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F	
New Cases	24	10		7	6		28	18		2	1		346	95		623	147		98	48		7	3		496	171		639	157	
Total Attendances	159	152		28	24		319	273		19	10		3469	1295		2472	765		1013	740		62	33		4960	2460		2581	832	
Sputa Examined	15	3		1	-		12	14		-	-		97	52		428	98		57	13		6	1		177	76		435	99	
Sputa Positive	4	-		-	-		-	-		-	-		5	2		17	7		-	-		-	-		9	3		17	7	
X-Rays Examined	62	64		14	12		56	45		3	-		196	131		124	57		121	117		14	6		435	357		155	75	
X-Rays Positive	31	27		6	7		29	21		2	1		80	38		62	27		45	53		2	1		195	139		72	36	
New Cases Found Positive	4	6		2	3		4	6		1	-		53	17		14	19		22	19		1	2		83	44		44	24	
Admission to Hospital from Clinic	2	1		-	-		5	2		1	-		46	8		63	10		2	3		1	-		55	14		65	10	
Contacts Examined	1	2		-	-		4	6		-	-		38	16		28	70		19	10		2	1		63	34		30	21	
Home Visits to T.B. Patients and their contacts (Borough cases only)	WHITE						COLOURED						BANTU						ASIAN						TOTAL					
418						690						5 253						1 052						7 413						

MINIATURE X-RAY CLINIC

This section is, undoubtedly, the greatest diagnostic aid of the T.B. Clinic, particularly among the Non-White races. It is staffed by two White Clerk/Radiographers and three Bantu Clerks, and during the year a total of 31 291 70 mm. X-Rays were taken, of which 1 194 were suspicious of active lung disease.

In addition, a fair number (963) of X-Rays were carried out on behalf of private practitioners, but were not reported on by this Department.

The annual total of 31 291 plates was the second highest on record, and was achieved in spite of the older of the two 70 mm. machines breaking down completely in June. Considerable damage occurred to this 20-year-old plant which, it is estimated, had taken about 400 000 exposures.

The City Council has decided to replace it with a Philips Media 20 generator using a 100 mm. Odelca camera. This is on order, and it is hoped that it will be operational early in 1974.

A major factor concerning the X-Ray Section was the promulgation in August of Regulations concerning the Control of Electronic Products under the Public Health Amendment Act of 1971. Since the X-Ray plants fall under these provisions, all the necessary steps have been taken to register the operators and licence the machines and premises.

MINIATURE X-RAY CLINIC ATTENDANCES

YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1973

	WHITE						COLOURED						BANTU						ASIAN						TOTAL					
	Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.		
	M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F	
Ref. by Pass Office: Routine Med. Examination: Suspect													2894	2208		11977	3344		2894	2208		11977	3344		2894	2208		11977	3344	
													121	59		540	68		121	59		540	68		121	59		540	68	
Pre-employment X-Ray: Private Persons & Firms Mun. Superan. Fund	11	7					40	71			8	13	47		9	94	17		679	298		31	10		777	385		133	40	
	177	29		4	1														177	29					177	29		4	1	
Ref. by Employers : Routine : Contact	235	164					106	62		2			2099	44		135	86		439	17		2			2879	287		139	86	
	9	25											51	80		19	2		1	2				61	107			2		
Ref. by Drs. : Suspect : Contact	24	21		4	4		14	11		1	3		145	89		363	152		98	57		4	6		281	178		372	165	
	4	4												1		19	1							4	5		19	1		
Ref. under Pneumoconiosis Act													136											136						
Ref. by Health Dept.: Suspect Contact	12	5		20	13		1	1		1			27	14		12	13		8	8					48	28		12	13	
	203	92					33	33			3		435	123		57	70		136	87		4			807	335		82	86	
Chest Clinic Follow-up X-Rays	31	14		1	2		29	34		1	6		611	214		972	216		158	88		20	3		820	350		994	227	
	706	361		29	20		223	212		13	25		6566	2842		14169	3969		1519	557		61	19		9014	3972		14272	4033	
Suspect P.T.B., excluding doctor, pass office and follow-up cases																														
	20	12		4			9	5					210	24		28	19		56	23		5	1		295	64		37	20	

TOTAL SUSPECT: 1 194 (excluding Private doctors cases)

TOTAL X-RAYED: 31 291

RESULTS OF FOLLOW-UP OF SUSPECTED CASES DETECTED BY MINIATURE X-RAY
(excluding Pass Office and Private Doctors Cases)

	EUROPEAN						COLOURED						BANTU						ASIAN						TOTAL					
	Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.		
	M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F		M	F	
A. P.T.B. Active	1	-	-	-	-	-	19	5	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	24	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. P.T.B. Inactive	3	3	-	-	-	-	78	3	5	1	1	3	10	3	-	-	-	94	10	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. Other Lung Conditions	1	3	-	-	-	-	8	5	2	1	1	3	2	3	-	-	-	12	12	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. Cardiac Conditions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E. Nil Abnormal	8	3	-	-	-	-	86	4	8	2	2	7	27	7	1	-	-	124	15	9	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
F. Other Conditions noted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. Did not re-attend	7	3	4	-	-	-	19	7	13	15	13	10	4	1	-	-	-	41	22	21	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	20	12	4	-	-	-	210	24	28	19	56	23	5	1	-	-	-	295	64	37	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Number of Suspects	P.T.B. (Active or Inactive)	
" "	= 139	= 33,4%
" "	= 100	= 23,9%
" "	= 150	= 36,0%
" "	= 27	= 6,7%
	<u>416</u>	<u>= 100,0%</u>

ANALYSIS OF PASS OFFICE
X-RAYS TAKEN

	Borough		O/Borough		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Total X-Rayed	3 015	2 267	12 517	3 412	21 211
Suspect P.T.B.	121 (4,0%)	59 (2,6%)	540 (4,5%)	78 (2,3%)	798 (3,7%)

FOLLOW-UP RESULTS

	Borough		O/Borough		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
1a. P.T.B. Active	15	4	44	3	66
1b. P.T.B. Inactive	50	25	306	27	408
2. Other Lung Conditions	-	-	-	-	-
3. Cardiac Conditions	-	-	-	-	-
4. Spinal or Thoracic Cage	-	-	-	-	-
5. N.A.D.	50	29	156	36	271
6. Other Conditions noted	-	-	-	-	-
7. Did not re-attend	6	1	34	12	53
TOTAL	121	59	540	78	798

VENEREAL DISEASE

STAFF: Three Public Health Medical Officers (all part-time), one White Health Visitor (half-time), three Bantu Health Visitors and two Bantu Health Assistants, the latter devoting their full-time to Venereal Disease.

The total Venereal Disease attendances for the year at 8 336 shewed a decrease of 1 015 on those of 1972, whilst there were 431 more new cases than in 1972. The decrease in total attendances can be explained by the increased use of long-acting penicillin on most cases.

These figures do not, of course, reflect the true incidence in Pietermaritzburg, as many sufferers - especially Whites - go to private doctors for treatment. Our statistics show that only nine new White cases out of a population of 45 940 attended the Venereal Disease Clinic, an improbable proportion.

One of the most important aspects of Venereal Disease work is the follow-up of cases and the seeking out of defaulters at their homes and places of work. In particular, one group of Venereal Disease sufferers who are difficult to treat adequately are those who serve on long-distance buses and other heavy transport. They are here for one treatment and are never seen or heard of again. Closer co-operation between employers of such labour and ourselves would help overcome this problem.

VENEREAL DISEASE
CLINIC ATTENDANCES (NEW CASES) FOR THE YEAR

	WHITE						COLOURED						BANTU						ASIAN						ALL RACES						Total	
	Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.			Bor.			O/B.				
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F				
1. Seroneg. Primary Syphilis							2							12	65	65	12	66	15	2	1						69	13	66	15		163
2. Seropos. Primary Syphilis	2	1					1	4	2					35	108	108	35	103	86	3	3	1					114	43	106	86		341
3. Secondary Syphilis	2						4	2						31	229	229	31	206	149	6							241	33	206	149		629
4. Tertiary Syphilis (Clinical)																		2												2	2	
5. Endosyphilis (Serological)							2	2						11	3	3	11	7	11	1	3	1				6	16	7	12		41	
6. Neurosyphilis																																
7. Cong. Syphilis under 1 Year							1							1	4		1	1	3		1					5	2	1	3		11	
8. Cong. Syphilis over 1 Year																		1										1			1	
9. Gonorrhoea	4						18	2	3					57	468	468	57	304	96	8	1					498	60	307	96		961	
10. G.C. Vulvo-Vaginitis																																
11. G.C. Ophthalmia																																
12. Ulcus Molle									1						8		6									8		7			15	
13. Lymph. Venereum															1										1						1	
14. Gran. Venereum															1		3	1							1		3	1			5	
15. Venereal Warts														5	57		70	46							57	5	70	47			179	
16. Phagedaena																																
17. Suspected V.D.			1				7	1						22	148		124	80								162	26	125	80		393	
18. Multi-Diseases									1					12	93		113	52							96	12	114	52			274	
TOTAL	8	1	1				35	11	7	1				186	1185		1004	541							1258	210	1013	543			3024	

VENEREAL DISEASE CLINIC

TOTAL ATTENDANCES

	WHITE				COLOURED				BANTU				ASIAN				ALL RACES				Total										
	Bor.		O/B.		Bor.		O/B.		Bor.		O/B.		Bor.		O/B.		Bor.		O/B.												
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F											
1. Seroneg. Prim. Syphilis					11	7			213	27	198	47							235	36			198	47						516	
2. Seropos. Prim. Syphilis	2	1			8	23			298	117	238	236							331	156			242	237						966	
3. Secdy. Syphilis	1				28	8			741	116	553	476							781	129			555	476						1941	
4. Terty. Syphilis (Clinical)									7			5							7	3										15	
5. Endosyphilis (Serological)					8	29			14	60	22	41							26	111			22	51						210	
6. Neurosyphilis						6			1										1	6											
7. Cong. Syphilis under 1 Year					3				9	6	1	16							14	8			1	16						39	
8. Cong. Syphilis over 1 Year									1		1								1	1			1							3	
9. Gonorrhoea	3				54	9			1293	137	671	230							1377	148			680	232						2437	
10. G.C. Vulvo-vaginitis												1																			1
11. G.C. Ophthalmia																															
12. Ulcus Molle									21		8								21				12								33
13. Lymph. Venereum									2										2												2
14. Gran. Venereum									1		7	1							1				7	1							9
15. Venereal Warts																															
16. Phagadaena																															
17. Suspected V.D.	4		1		12	2			326	56	210	166							358	66			213	166							803
18. Multi Diseases					1				266	61	269	163							272	61			270	163							766
TOTAL	10	1	1		125	84			3408	605	2390	1517							3642	750			2413	1531							8336

	STAGE OF PREGNANCY														
	1 - 3 Months					4 - 6 Months					7 - 9 Months				
	White		Bantu		Col.	White		Bantu		Col.	White		Bantu		Col.
	B	O/B	B	O/B		B	O/B	B	O/B		B	O/B	B	O/B	
No. of Pregnant women submitted to Serological Test			1	1	1				6	8			2	3	7
No. of Positive or Doubtful Reactors			2	1					1	2			2	3	1
No. of those who had previously received treatment														2	1
No. undergoing a First Course of treatment during pregnancy			2	2	1				5	6			2	7	3
No. undergoing a 2nd or 3rd Course of treatment during Pregnancy									1	3				3	1
TOTAL			5	4	2				15	21			6	12	18
					2					3				11	3

V.D. CLINIC DEFAULTER INVESTIGATIONS

	WHITE		COLOURED		BANTU		ASIAN	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
UNABLE TO TRACE			1	2	68	51		
RETURNED TO CLINIC			3		131	65		
DID NOT RETURN			1		17	6		
TOTAL OF DEFAULTERS			5	2	216	122		
NO. OF VISITS			5	5	261	154		
<u>RETURNED TO CLINIC</u>								
A. <u>At Request of Health Visitor or Bantu Health Assistant</u>								
1) Following personal visits	21		3		96	51		
2) Following letters	22							
3) Following telephone calls	23				2			
4) Following accidental encounter	24				12	4		
B. <u>Supplementary Visits by Bantu Health Assistants</u>								
1) Employer telephoned	31				13	9		
2) Employer visited	32				9	5		
3) Defaulters visited	33					4		
<u>REASONS FOR DEFAULTING</u>								
No reason	41		1		39	39		
Unable to pay transport	42							
Left City	43				28	18		
Hours of work prevent attendance	44							
Clinic Hours unsuitable:	45							
Prefer morning clinic	A							
Prefer afternoon clinic	B							
Prefer evening clinic	C							
Prefer Saturday morning clinic	D							
Thought him/herself cured	46		2		19	7		
Races not separated enough	47							
Clinic not private enough	48							
Reaction to Injections	49							
Illness	50				3			
Other reasons	51				59	7		

CHILD WELFARE

The backbone of almost any local authority health service is the personal service rendered in regard to Child Welfare. The weekly clinics held in all group areas of the City are extremely well supported, and the advice given at such clinics is aimed at being supportive to the requirements of the child's family doctor.

In combination with the clinics immunisation centres are established, whilst a further innovation during the year was the introduction of community mental nurses attending at these clinics, so that parents can now receive advice regarding psychological problems besetting them in regard to their children and also receive advice as to whose further professional advice they should seek.

DIPHTHERIA

Immunisation against Diphtheria continues to be one of the major undertakings of the Child Welfare section. During the year 3 684 children were immunised against the disease (White 865, Coloured 346, Bantu 756 and Asian 1717).

Of these 851 Whites, 344 Coloureds, 753 Bantu and 1 707 Asian infants were immunised against Whooping Cough and Tetanus at the same time as against Diphtheria.

The percentages of children completing the immunisation course were as follows:

White: 88,4; Coloured: 70,5; Bantu: 63,5; Asian: 86,2.

The total number of booster doses given was 4 143 (White: 1 356; Coloured: 359; Bantu: 565; Asian: 1 863).

The total number of Diphtheria immunising injections was 7 859 (White: 2 225; Coloured: 705; Bantu: 1 331; Asian: 3 598).

The following table gives the total births; the notifications and deaths from Diphtheria, and the number of children immunised (completed courses) by the Public Health Department since 1964:

	WHITE				COLOURED				BANTU				ASIAN			
	Births	Immunised	Notifications	Deaths	Births	Immunised	Notifications	Deaths	Births	Immunised	Notifications	Deaths	Births	Immunised	Notifications	Deaths
1964	780	1168	1	-	262	347	-	-	700	486	3	2	902	1265	2	-
1965	734	602	1	-	229	209	1	-	815	256	2	-	688	1000	1	-
1966	680	756	-	-	205	241	-	-	983	376	4	-	777	956	1	-
1967	807	610	*4	1	294	207	5	-	1000	503	7	-	1252	907	5	2
1968	992	648	-3	-	353	188	-	-	892	430	3	-	1277	996	10	3
1969	1068	824	-1	-	298	266	3	-	707	414	2	2	1511	1170	4	-
1970	901	707	-	-	336	310	2	-	481	522	1	2	1157	1172	-	-
1971	858	932	-	-	528	737	3	2	328	342	-	-	1279	1643	-	-
1972	986	990	1	-	292	342	-	-	521	2154	-	4	1303	1884	-	-
1973	831	865	-	-	354	346	-	-	522	756	-	-	1378	1717	-	-

* Includes 1 Diphtheria Ulcer

- Includes 1 Carrier

The immunisation history of 13 of the Diphtheria cases admitted to our hospital in 1973, and confirmed by Virulence test, showed that none had been immunised, or no information was available concerning immunisation. Of these, five died.

It should be noted that all the above admitted cases came from the rural areas of the Natal Midlands, i.e. outwith the Borough itself.

ANTERIOR POLIOMYELITIS

For the first time since 1967, no cases of Anterior Poliomyelitis were reported in Pietermaritzburg. A significant change in prophylactic measures was made during the year, when booster doses were discontinued from 31st May on the advice of the World Health Organisation.

Oral Poliomyelitis Vaccine (Sabin) was offered to eligible age groups in all races as laid down by the State Health Department.

The vaccine is now given at the regular immunisation clinics held throughout the year. During 1973, this Department administered the following doses of the Oral Vaccine (Sabin Types I, II and III):

POLIOMYELITIS IMMUNISATION

RACE	AGE GROUPS AND FEEDS														
	Under 1 year			1-4 years			5-9 years			10-19 years			Over 19 years		
	1st Feed	2nd Feed	3rd Feed	1st Feed	2nd Feed	3rd Feed	1st Feed	2nd Feed	3rd Feed	1st Feed	2nd Feed	3rd Feed	1st Feed	2nd Feed	3rd Feed
WHITE	950	869	841	51	39	38	23	21	22	15	4	7	13	18	11
COL.	447	324	298	40	20	17	13	-	3	2	-	-	-	-	-
BANTU	1052	818	682	100	59	47	431	19	5	6	3	1	-	-	-
ASIAN	1797	1695	1574	88	37	44	47	18	13	3	1	4	-	-	-
TOTAL	4240	3706	3395	279	155	146	514	58	43	26	8	12	13	18	11

POLIOMYELITIS ORAL IMMUNISATION : BOOSTER DOSES
(From January 1st to May 31st, 1973)

WHITE	:	1 210
COLOURED	:	324
BANTU	:	172
ASIAN	:	1 569
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TOTAL	:	3 275
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The annual incidence of Poliomyelitis in Pietermaritzburg is shown in the following table of notifications:

1945 - 7;	1946 - 0;	1947 - 2;	1948 - 32;	1949 - 4;	1950 - 1;
1951 - 11;	1952 - 3;	1953 - 3;	1954 - 25;	1955 - 20;	1956 - 51;
1957 - 20;	1958 - 4;	1959 - 4;	1960 - 6;	1961 - 1;	1962 - 0;
1963 - 2;	1964 - 1;	1965 - 1;	1966 - 0;	1967 - 0;	1968 - 2;
1969 - 9;	1970 - 2;	1971 - 1;	1972 - 1;	1973 - 0.	

Non-White Poliomyelitis cases are treated in the Non-European Infectious Diseases Hospital for a period of three weeks and then transferred to the other hospitals or Kwa Hlegabantu for further orthopaedic treatment when required. White cases are being treated in the isolation wards of Grey's Hospital, when necessary.

INFANT WELFARE1. INFANT CLINICS

		White	Coloured	Bantu	Asian	Total
<u>NEW CASES</u>	Under 1 Year	1 002	407	1 071	1 654	4 134
	Over 1 Year	21	32	34	37	124
	TOTAL :	1 023	439	1 105	1 691	4 258
<u>ATTENDANCES</u>	Under 1 Year	10 506	3 483	11 993	20 385	46 367
	Over 1 Year	1 019	1 170	5 447	6 434	14 070
	TOTAL :	11 525	4 653	17 440	26 819	60 437

2. HOME VISITS

	White	Coloured	Bantu	Asian	Total
Ante-Natal	5	113	20	82	220
First Visits - (Notified Births)	979	291	839	1 428	3 537
Re-Visits - Under 1 year	773	706	1 251	2 385	5 115
Re-Visits - Over 1 year	1 364	1 342	1 643	4 939	9 288
Infectious Disease (Non-T.B.)	52	2	17	19	90
Protected Infants	15	94	9	23	141
Pediculosis & Scabies Visits	-	-	5	165	170
Infant Mortality Visits	18	9	24	11	62
Other Home Visits	360	189	216	588	1 353
TOTAL	3 566	2 746	4 024	9 640	19 976

3. MILK DISTRIBUTED (KGS.)

	White	Coloured	Bantu	Asian	Total
Nespray	225,5	294,0	1226,0	1121,5	2867,0
Milk Powder	74,0	198,5	3899,5	2594,0	6766,0

The skimmed milk powder is issued under the State Health Anti-Kwashiorkor scheme, and the low incidence of this disorder reported in Pietermaritzburg indicates that the scheme plays, at least, some part in this achievement.

SMALLPOX VACCINATION

Vaccination of infants (all races) has been carried out at the Municipal Infant Welfare Clinics and adults applying to the Public Health Department are also vaccinated. This service serves to supplement the free service available to the public through the Public Vaccination carried out by the District Surgeon, and the vaccination carried out by the General Practitioners, returns of which are no longer received by this Department. It should be noted that the Public Health Department cannot issue an International Certificate of Vaccination.

The number of primary vaccinations carried out by this Department at its Clinics during this period was 3 422. (White: 742; Coloured: 286; Bantu: 574; Asian 1 838).

Re-vaccinations totalled 1 178. (White: 405; Coloured: 122; Bantu: 69; Asian: 582).

Vaccination is also carried out on certain Bantu attending pre-employment examination at the Pass Office. (See page 1, Chapter VI).

MATERNAL MORTALITY

No deaths were recorded.

The Midwifery Training School at Grey's Hospital (the Provincial Hospital) provides midwifery services for Whites, Coloureds and Asians in the wards of Grey's Hospital, and District Midwifery Services in Pietermaritzburg for Whites, Coloureds and Asians. In addition, Ante-Natal Clinic Services for these races are provided.

A weekly Ante-Natal Clinic session has been commenced by Grey's Hospital staff in the Northdale Municipal Infant Welfare Clinic building. This facility has been granted to the Province free of charge by the City Council.

The Bantu Maternity Wards and Ante-Natal Services at Imbali are provided at the General Hospital at Edendale. Bantu District Midwifery is carried out in the Sobantu Village by a Municipal Bantu Midwife.

The following figures have been supplied by the courtesy of the Medical Superintendent of Grey's Hospital:

(a) Ante-Natal Clinic Attendances:

Whites	:	1 516	
Coloureds	:	2 682	
Asians	:	10 712	
TOTAL		<u>14 910</u>	(12 261 last year)

Of these, one White, 14 Coloureds and 13 Asians reacted positively to VDRL Tests.

(b) Total number of District Midwifery Visits:

Whites	:	428	
Coloureds	:	1 746	
Asians	:	6 029	
TOTAL		<u>8 203</u>	(10 510 last year)

Sobantu/

SOBANTU VILLAGE

The Municipal Bantu Midwives conducted 46 confinements, made 673 Ante-Natal visits, and 819 maternity visits. All were in the Village, where an ante-natal clinic was held at the Dispensary. Details:

No. of New Patients	Ante-Natal Attendances	VDRL's taken	VDRL's Positive	RH Positive	RH Negative
110	463	110	10	89	4

The Midwifery District service previously conducted by this Department at Imbali has been discontinued. Pietermaritzburg is a "prescribed area" under Section 39(b) of the Medical and Pharmacy Act No. 13 of 1938.

DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR

		WHITE	COLOURED	BANTU	ASIAN	ALL RACES
Peri-Natal	First 24 Hours	10 : 12,0	6 : 17,0	-	9 : 6,4	25 : 8,1
	2nd - 7th Days	1 : 1,2	2 : 5,7	2 : 3,8	10 : 7,1	15 : 4,8
	TOTAL - 1 WEEK	11 : 13,2	8 : 22,6	2 : 3,8	19 : 13,5	40 : 12,9
Neo-Natal	1 Week - 1 Month	1 : 1,2	1 : 2,8	3 : 5,7	1 : 0,7	6 : 1,9
	TOTAL - 1 MONTH	12 : 14,4	9 : 25,4	5 : 8,5	20 : 14,3	46 : 14,9
	1 Month - 2 Months	1 : 1,2	4 : 11,3	8 : 15,2	6 : 4,2	19 : 6,1
Post-Neo-Natal	3 Months - 5 Months	-	3 : 8,5	13 : 24,7	1 : 0,7	17 : 5,5
	6 Months - 8 Months	1 : 1,2	-	10 : 19,0	4 : 2,9	15 : 4,8
	9 Months - 11 Months	-	-	12 : 22,8	4 : 2,9	16 : 5,1
	TOTAL - 1 - 11 Months	2 : 2,4	7 : 19,8	43 : 81,7	15 : 10,7	67 : 21,6
INFANT MORTALITY RATE		14 : 16,9	16 : 45,2	48 : 93,5	35 : 25,0	113 : 36,4

Percentage of deaths of all ages during first year of life:-

White	:	3,4%
Coloured	:	23,2%
Bantu	:	21,8%
Asian	:	14,9%
All Races	:	12,3%

INFANT MORTALITY

		WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL		
		M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P	M	F	P
Peri-Natal	1st 24 Hours	7	3	10	6		6				5	4	9	18	7	25
	2nd - 7th Days	1		1	1	1	2		2	2	6	4	10	8	7	15
	TOTAL - 1 Week	8	3	11	7	1	8		2	2	11	8	19	26	14	40
Neo-Natal	1 Week - 1 Month	1		1		1	1	1	2	3	1		1	3	3	6
	TOTAL - 1 Month	9	3	12	7	2	9	1	4	5	12	8	20	29	17	46
Post-Neo-Natal	1 Month - 2 Months	1		1	4		4	4	4	8	5	1	6	14	5	19
	3 Months - 5 Months				2	1	3	8	5	13	1		1	11	6	17
	6 Months - 8 Months	1		1				7	3	10		4	4	8	7	15
	9 Months - 11 Months							6	6	12	1	3	4	7	9	16
	TOTAL - 1 - 11 Months	2		2	6	1	7	25	18	43	7	8	15	40	27	67
TOTAL INFANT MORTALITY		11	3	14	13	3	16	26	22	48	19	16	35	69	44	113

(Classified according to International Intermediate List of 150 Causes from Seventh Revision, W.H.O.1948)

Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL		
		M	F	Tot.	1972	M	F	Tot.	1972	M	F	Tot.	1972	M	F	Tot.
A 1	Tuberculosis of respiratory system										1	1			1	1
A 2	Tuberculosis of meninges & central nervous system								1							1
A 6	Congenital Syphilis									1		1				1
A 17	Scarlet fever				1											
A 20	Septicaemia & pyaemia						2	2							2	3
A 23	Meningococcal infect.					1		1	1				1		2	4
A 32	Measles						2	3			1	1			3	4
A 64	Avitaminosis & other deficiency states															
A 65	Anaemias								3							3
A 70	Vascular lesions affecting central nervous system								3							4
A 71	Non-meningococcal meningitis					1		1						1		1
A 87	Acute upper respiratory infections															
A 89	Lobar pneumonia				1		1	2						1		1
A 90	Bronchopneumonia					1	7	10	3				5	2	10	15
A 91	Primary atypical, other & unspecified pneumonia				1											
A 93	Bronchitis, chronic & unqualified					1		2	2			2	3	5		7
A 97	All other respiratory diseases	1												1		1
A104	Gastro-enteritis and colitis, except diarrhoea of newborn															
A107	Other diseases of digestive system					1	7	18	1				10	13	10	23
A114	Other diseases of genito-urinary system													1		1

CAUSES OF DEATH : INFANT MORTALITY

Continued

CHAPTER V

1973

Ref.	Causes of Death	WHITE			COLOURED			BANTU			ASIAN			TOTAL		
		M	F	Tot.	1972	M	F	Tot.	1972	M	F	Tot.	1972	M	F	Tot.
		1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972	1972
A127	Spina bifida and meningocele				1											1
A128	Congenital malformations of circulatory system															
A129	All other congenital malformations	2		2	1	1		1	2	1				2		2
A130	Birth injuries			2	1	1		1						4	1	5
A131	Postnatal asphyxia and atelectasis	4		4	1	1		1						2	1	3
A132	Infections of the newborn					4	1	5	2	4	3	7	3	12	4	16
A133	Haemolytic disease of the newborn	1	1	2					2				1	1	1	2
A134	All other defined diseases of early infancy	1		1												
A135	Ill-defined diseases peculiar to early infancy & immaturity unqualified				1	1		1						3	1	4
A137	Ill-defined & unknown causes of morbidity and mortality		1	1	11	1		1	4	5	2	7	21	6	3	9
						3	3	6		1		1		4	3	7
	TOTAL	11	3	14	18	13	3	16	20	26	22	48	34	69	44	113
																119

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF BANTU

Although the newly-formed Drakensberg Bantu Affairs Administration Board has now taken over the influx control of Bantu entering Pietermaritzburg all work-seekers in the City are still subject to a medical examination, chest X-Ray, and single-insertion vaccination (unless the latter two procedures have been carried out in the previous six months).

By arrangement, the Public Health Department carries out this procedure. Emphasis is on Venereal Disease and Pulmonary Tuberculosis, and the following table reflects details:

	Number Examined	Referred to X-Ray	Susp. PTB after X-Ray	Confirmed PTB (act. or inact.)	Rejected V.D.	Rejected Other Causes	Vacci- nated
Male	28 656	15 532	661	415	127	6	14 129
Female	9 540	5 679	137	59	85	1	5 460
TOTAL	38 196	21 211	778	474	212	7	19 589

For the first time, details of the areas from which Out-of-Borough work-seekers have originated have become available. The Vulindlela Local Authority, which mainly borders on Pietermaritzburg and includes Edendale, provided the most - 29 060, of whom 6 990 were females. There were also 2 425 Sothos (611 females) who fell under the jurisdiction of Vulindlela, while the Transkei was responsible for 5 184 Xhosas, 2 208 of whom were females.

SOBANTU VILLAGE DISPENSARY

Yet again, this general out-patients Clinic which is held three mornings a week at Sobantu Village has shown a marked increase in popularity, and the need to expand the service is becoming a necessity.

A full-time Bantu nurse, who lives in the Village, assists at the Clinic, does the necessary dressings and follow-up treatment, and visits patients in their homes.

Total attendance during the year was 4 812, compared with 3 891 last year and 3 287 in 1971. Home nursing visits totalled 1 816 to 738 patients, 393 of whom were new cases.

FAMILY PLANNING CLINICS

During the year Family Planning Clinics were established at the Civic Centre and Scottsville for Europeans, at Boom Street for Bantu and Asians, at Northdale for Asians and at Woodlands for Coloureds. In general, these clinics have attracted reasonable numbers, each one shewing a small increase in new cases each month. It is hoped to open further clinics in the Bantu townships in the New Year.

Health Education is essential in these Bantu townships and in the factories in order to bring the need of family planning before females and more important, their husbands. It is therefore disappointing to note an absence of effort along these lines by the National Family Planning Association, which association is supported financially by the State with a view to carrying out active propaganda and education.

Doctor staffing of the Clinics was unsatisfactory - one of the reasons apparently being the poor remuneration permitted by State Health on a sessional basis.

The drugs, equipment, salaries of approved personnel in Family Planning Clinics are subject to a 100% refund of expenses.

FAMILY PLANNING CLINICSYEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1973

	White	Col.	Bantu	As.
A. Number of <u>new patients</u> (i.e. those attending for the first time) who presented themselves during the abovementioned period	186	261	1787	706
B. <u>Total number of Attendances</u>	1504	1744	12140	5264
C. <u>Tablets</u> Number of individual patients to whom oral contraceptives were issued during this period	1402	1694	12803	5015
D. <u>Intra-Uterine Devices</u> 1. Number of intra-uterine devices <u>inserted</u> during this period	22	19	87	71
2. Number <u>removed</u> during this period on account of abnormal symptoms or planned pregnancy	3	2	18	12
E. <u>Other Contraceptives</u> Number of patients to whom other contraceptives were issued:				
(i) Caps	-	-	-	-
(ii) Condoms	-	-	-	-
(iii) Cream	47	16	-	64
(iv) Depo-Provera	27	43	115	84

EXFOLIATIVE CYTOLOGY SERVICE

This service is organised by the Department for the various racial groups in the Borough and General Practitioners and others are free to use the service. Most smears referred by the latter, however, belong to the White Group who are possibly least at risk. Many smears from the other race groups are taken at the recently established family planning clinics prior to contraceptive therapy being instituted, and it is amongst these that during the year seven (7) smears were found to show evidence of malignancy (out of a full total of 1 373 smears).

All smears are reported on by the State Health Pathology Laboratory at Edendale Hospital.

Details are:

	S M E A R S		
	Positive for Malignancy	Negative	Total
White	-	707	707
Coloured	-	62	62
Bantu	7	396	403
Asian	-	201	201
TOTAL	7	1 366	1 373

AMBULANCE

The following figures have been furnished by the courtesy of the Chief Fire Officer:

1) Total number of cases removed	:	7 951
2) Infectious cases removed	:	599

LABORATORY WORK

(a) Laboratory work done by Private Pathologist:

Throat Swabs	84
Smears, Swabs, Pus for Gonococcus, organisms, etc.	2
Blood	20
Sputum and Pleural Fluids (T.B. organisms, sensitivity)	4
Stools (Parasites, T.B., S. Typhi, etc.)	37
Urines (Chemical, Microscopic, etc.)	55
Milk - for Total Bacterial and Coliform Count	174
	<u>376</u>

(b) Work done in Departmental Laboratory:

No. of Mosquito larvae examined	:	580
No. of Mosquito adults examined	:	120
No. of Snails examined	:	515
No. of Physopsis identified	:	343

WATER SUPPLIES

Our thanks are due to the City Engineer for the following information:

The City's supply of raw water is derived from the Umsindusi River and its tributaries and from the Midmar Dam on the Umgeni River.

Water from the latter source passes through an underground tunnel before being supplied by the Government Department of Water Affairs to the City Council at Ferncliffe Water Purification Works. To reduce water losses within the tunnel the Department of Water Affairs is undertaking pressure grouting and water-proofing measures in the tunnel and, during the progress of this work, has been forced to restrict the quantity of water supplied to Pietermaritzburg and consumers in the Cato Ridge, Hammarsdale and Pinetown areas. As a result of this it was necessary to impose restrictions on the use of hose pipes and sprinklers for the washing of motor cars and the watering of gardens during the three months 4th August to 3rd November, 1973. Though these improvement works were still in progress, the Department of Water Affairs was able to increase supplies in mid-November 1973, when the lower half of the tunnel had been completed.

Expansion .../

WATER SUPPLIES Cont'd.

Expansion of the water supply reticulation to serve housing development has continued and, in order to cater for increased demand in the Raisethorpe area, a 500 kl water tower served by pumps in Trichy Road has been constructed to replace a smaller existing system. A major extension to the trunk main and service reservoir system is also in progress, designed to extend the water supply area to include a large sector of the north eastern borough where further Indian housing is planned.

During the year the laboratory at Signall Hill tested a total of 692 samples of water taken from the reticulation system, all of which were found to be satisfactory.

The average daily water consumption during the calendar year 1973 was 42,86 megalitres per day.

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Bacteriological Examination by Bio-Chemist, City Engineer's Department. (Results recorded in accordance with method laid down by Ministry of Health - Publication No. 71, 1939).

	MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY			OTHER SUPPLIES (Streams, Springs, Wells, etc.)		
	Incubation Period		Differ- ential Test (Faecal) 48 hrs.	Incubation Period		Differ- ential Test (Faecal) 48 hrs.
	24 hrs.	48 hrs.		24 hrs.	48 hrs.	
Class I (Highly Sat., 0)	126	123	128			
Class II (Satis., 1-2)	2	5		1		
Class III (Suspicious, 3-10)					2	
Class IV (Unsat. over 10)						

THE HEALTH INSPECTORATE

This important section of the Department continued to function efficiently throughout the year. Generally speaking, staffing was much improved over previous years, though it proved difficult to fill the Asian Health Inspector vacancies.

General Nuisance Inspectors (2 European and 1 Asian) were appointed in the last quarter of the year - whose purpose it is to deal with general nuisances around the town (overgrown, unsightly vacant plots, litter and other street nuisances, etc.), thus relieving Health Inspectors for more involved aspects of their work. These General Inspectors have proved to be both enthusiastic and efficient in their work and have released the Health Inspectors to more effort in food and environmental disease control.

MEAT SUPPLIES

Regular inspections butchers' shops were carried out by the Department's Health Inspectors, and a list of meat, fish and fowl condemned after inspection is shewn on page 9, Chapter VII.

5 120 Carcases which were imported into the Borough were examined by our inspectorate, and fees accrued from these inspections were R 1 487-26.

MILK SUPPLIES

A high standard of control continues to be exercised over milk supplies in the Borough, and strict adherence to the regulations resulted in 15 prosecutions.

Milk was derived from 12 producer-distributors, one of whom was in the Borough. Further, there are 222 producers out of the Borough, 66 of whom send their milk to the one pasteurisation plant in Pietermaritzburg (National Co-operative Dairies). The other 156 send their milk to Pinetown for pasteurisation, whence it is returned to the Creamline depot in Pietermaritzburg for distribution.

A new distributor of pasteurised milk at Hillcrest began supplying the Borough from 1st June, 1973, but will be moving his premises to Umlaas Road early in 1974.

All dairymen are registered with this Department and their premises are inspected regularly. Approximately 93% - a 9% increase over last year - of the milk sold in Pietermaritzburg was pasteurised.

There was a decided increase in the total milk consumption, which rose to 14 956 767 litres in 1973 compared to 14 220 609 litres the previous year. Conversely, the total of raw milk consumed shewed a decrease to 1 037 625 litres from 1 180 529 litres in 1972.

F O O D S T U F F SSAMPLES TAKEN AND SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS1. MILK AND CREAM(a) Bacteriological Examination - Plate Counts:

Samples with less than 50,000 bacteria per c.c.	:	138 (inc. 40 Pasteurised)
Samples with between 50,000 and 200,000 bacteria per c.c.	:	27 (inc. 8 Pasteurised)
Samples with more than 200,000 bacteria per c.c.	:	9 (inc. 4 Pasteurised)
		<u>174 (inc. 52 Pasteurised)</u>

(b) Bacteriological Examination - Faecal B. Coli:

Samples with Faecal B. Coli absent	:	171 (inc. 52 Pasteurised)
Samples with Faecal B. Coli present 1/10 c.c.	:	-
Samples with Faecal B. Coli present 1/100 c.c.	:	3
Samples with Faecal B. Coli present in less than 1/100 c.c.	:	-
		<u>174 (inc. 52 Pasteurised)</u>

(c) Chemical Examination (by Government Analyst):

Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	<u>52</u>
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(d) Phosphatase Testing of Pasteurised Milk (by
Municipal Bio-Chemist):

Samples sufficiently heat treated	:	216
Samples not sufficiently heat treated	:	1
		<u>217</u>

2. ICE CREAM

Chemical Examination (by Government Analyst):

Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	<u>9</u>
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3. MEAT

Chemical Examination (by Government Analyst):

<u>Mince</u> - Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	21
Sample not complying with Act 54/1972	:	1
<u>Boerewors</u> - Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	15
Samples not complying with Act 54/1972	:	2
<u>Beef Sausage</u> - Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	2
<u>Pork Sausage</u> - Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	5
<u>Mutton Sausage</u> - Samples complying with Act 54/1972	:	2
		<u>48</u>

GENERAL INSPECTORS

The following items were carried out during the period October to 31st December, by the General Inspectors:

Refuse Receptacles : Inadequate	245
No lids	421
Warnings issued	2
Vacant Plots : Overgrown	91
Littered	5
Overgrown and littered	31
Disused Vehicles : Inspection	191
Notices served	73
Litter : Warnings issued	1
Prosecutions	1
Refuse : Deposited on vacant ground	22
Deposited on road verges/pavements	472
Warnings issued	3
Prosecutions	2
Overgrown road verges	1
Interviews	1
Dogs	1
Miscellaneous	12
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Total	1 575

Letters and notices sent by the General Inspectors totalled 702.

RODENT CONTROL

The Rodent Officer carried out a total of 2 277 inspections and other operations during the year. One important aspect was the gassing carried out on vacant land in the City Area.

These lands included the Ohrtmann Road industrial area, the vicinity of Town Bush stream and Linscott Road verges, Mountain Rise (Non-European Infectious Diseases Hospital grounds and the Old N.P.A. camp), the vicinity of the Indian Barracks at the Sewerage farm, Chase Valley Road verges, and the banks of the Dorp Spruit.

Three specimens of the rare genus Rhabdomys (striped mice) were identified, and 17 water rats were found after gassing.

A total of 156 warrens were gassed, and 221 rats and mice were found dead after gassing and poisoning. 262 Kg. of Rinoxim poison were used, as well as Cynogas.

Details of Rodent Officer's Work

No. of:	
Dwellings dealt with	260
Dwellings rat-proofed	4
Grain stores rat-proofed	1
Warehouses inspected	4
Warehouses rat-proofed	2
Factories (food manufacturing) inspected	1
Factories (food manufacturing) rat-proofed	3
Factories (non-food) inspected	8
Factories (non-food) rat-proofed	3
Hotels and food-handling premises inspected	296
Hotels and food-handling premises rat-proofed	22
Other business premises inspected	355
Other business premises rat-proofed	73
Mills inspected	4
Buildings supervised during erection.....	171
Buildings supervised prior to demolition	89
Vacant Lands gassed	2
Vacant Lands dealt with	243
Gassing operations	21
Poisoning operations	190
Rats found poisoned	16
Refuse and rubbish inspections	452
Other inspections	9
Interviews	1
Refuse bins inspected	47
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	Total
	<hr/> 2 277 <hr/>

A total of 237 letters and notices were sent out by the Rodent Inspector.

S A N I T A T I O N

Total of Inspections carried out	48 288
Total of Rodent Inspections	2 811
Total of Notices and Letters served re Contravention of By-Laws ...	7 969
Total of Inspections by General Inspectors	1 575

Inspections (General) Given in Detail

1. Public Markets	145
2. Butchers' Shops	282
3. Dealers and General Dealers (Food)	1 545
4. Dealers and General Dealers (No Food)	759
5. Fish and Poultry Shops	29
6. Food Sampling	469
7. Condemnation of Foodstuffs	47
8. Bakehouses	68
9. Milk Shops (Purveyors of Milk)	121
10. Ice Cream (Distributors and Manufacturers of)	69
11. Tea Shops, Cafes, Restaurants and Eating Houses	1 001
12. Residential Hotels, Boarding Houses	149
13. Aerated Water Manufacturers	3
14. Other places where food is manufactured	16
15. Hawker's Premises	136
16. Hawker's Carts	80
17. Butcher's Carts and Carriers	2
18. Milk Delivery Carts and Ice Cream Carts	71
19. Milk Depot and Pasteurising Plants	36
20. Baker's Carts	120
21. Theatres and Cinemas	23
22. Smoke Nuisances	2 581
23. Common Lodging Houses	22
24. Barracks	9
25. Bantu Quarters	81
26a. Structural Defects in Premises	703
26b. Defective Washing Areas	42
26c. Defective Sanitary Fittings	151
26d. Undrained Premises	32
26e. Defective and Waste Water Drains	487
26f. Overcrowded Premises	636
27. Dwelling Houses and Flats	10 476
28. Swimming Bath Inspections	137
29. Hairdressers	49

Carried Forward

20 577

SANITATION Continued		Brought Forward	20 577
30.	Laundries	163	
31.	Schools	24	
32.	Factories and Workshops	1 307	
33.	Builder's Yards	24	
34.	Depots and Warehouses	30	
35.	Wood and Coal Yards	10	
36.	Condemnation of Premises	404	
37.	Vacant Lands	2 088	
38.	Piggeries	6	
39.	Horse Stables	85	
40.	Cowkeepers Premises	68	
41.	Dairy Stables and Dairies	420	
42.	Hide and Skin Merchants	7	
43.	Poultry Keepers and Pigeon Lofts	748	
44.	Visits in connection with Infectious Disease	7	
45.	Malaria and Mosquito Inspections, etc.	1 067	
46.	Malaria - Permanent Works, Drains, Tree Planting, etc.	1	
47.	Public Sanitary Conveniences	25	
48.	Sanitary Conveniences	740	
49.	Septic Tanks, French Drains, etc.	6	
50.	Pail Privies	192	
51.	Pit Privies	118	
52.	Refuse and Refuse Bins	3 452	
53.	Refuse Tips	6	
54.	Other Visits	3 586	
55.	Fly Nuisances	173	
56.	Visits in connection with Fumigation	7	
57.	Disinfectants		
58.	Attendances in Court	154	
59.	Rodent Inspections by Rodent Inspector	2 277	
60.	Other Rodent Inspections by Health Inspectors	534	
61.	Deratisation Certificates	6	
62.	Interviews and Complaints	3 775	
62a.	Inspections by General Inspectors	1 575	
REPORTS FOR TRANSMISSION TO OTHER MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS:			
(1) CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT.			
63.	Blocked Sewers, etc.	51	
64.	Street Drains	11	
65.	Defective Water Fittings	39	
		Carried Forward	43 763

SANITATION Continued

	Brought Forward	43 763
66. Defective Surface Waste Water Drains		13
67. Other Defects		4
68. Unauthorised Structures		205
69. Sites, etc. re plans		1 860
70. Water Sampling		-
(2) <u>DRAKENSBERG BANTU AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION BOARD</u>		
71. Licensing and other Inspections of Premises under Urban Areas Act ...		91
(3) <u>LICENSING DEPARTMENT</u>		
72. Inspections of Premises re Licence Applications		1 880
(4) <u>GENERAL</u>		
73. Other transportation trips		472
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	TOTAL	48 288

FOODSTUFFS CONDEMNED AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN
CONSUMPTION

The following foodstuffs were inspected and condemned in the Municipal Market and in shops within the Borough:

<u>FRUIT, FRESH:</u>	Apples, Bananas, Grape Fruit, Grapes, Lemons, Oranges, Peaches, Spanspek, Tomatoes	-	<u>1 121$\frac{1}{2}$</u>	bags, pockets, trays, boxes and portions
<u>VEGETABLES, FRESH:</u>	Beans, Brussel Sprouts, Carrots, Cabbages, Peas, Potatoes, Lettuce, Peppers, Radishes, Squash	-	<u>5 283</u>	bags, pockets, trays and boxes
<u>TINNED, JARRED AND BOTTLED FOODS:</u>	Fruit, Vegetables, Meat, Fish, Dairy Products, Pets Food, Pastes, Flavouring and Condiments	-	<u>7 874</u>	containers
<u>PRESERVED, PREPARED AND FROZEN FOODS:</u>	Bacon, Cold Meats, Chicken, Fish	-	<u>1 860</u>	units
<u>PACKAGED FOODS:</u>	Nuts, Dried Fruit, Icing Sugar, Jellies, Milk Powder, Spaghetti, Soup, Sweets, Pudding	-	<u>421</u>	packages
<u>DAIRY PRODUCTS:</u>	Butter, Ice Cream, Yoghurt, Cheese, or Portions	-	<u>765</u>	containers
<u>MISCELLANEOUS FOODS:</u>	Including yeast, bread and dessicated cocoanut	-	<u>390</u>	units or portions

PROSECUTIONS

Total number of prosecutions	145
Under Public Health By-Laws (in 4 cases in conjunction with Building By-Laws; in 53 cases in conjunction with Public Health Act)	57
" Dairy By-Laws	15
" Food, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act	4
" Manufacture, Storage & Sale of Foodstuffs By-Laws	5
" Refuse and Night Soil Removal By-Laws	3
" Public Health Act	53
" House Drainage By-Laws	1
" Building By-Laws	3
" Urban Bantu Regulations	4
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TOTAL	145
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Total number found guilty and penalty imposed	108
Total number found not guilty	1
Total number withdrawn, discharged, pending and re-issued	36
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TOTAL	145
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CONDEMNED PREMISESRooms and Buildings Condemned and/or Demolished:

(a) Under Public Health By-Law 17 (Demolition Order)	62
(a) Under Public Health By-Law 17 (Closing Order)	0
(b) Under Building By-Laws (dilapidated buildings)	0
(c) Under Slums Act	0
(d) Voluntary Demolitions	37
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TOTAL	99
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LICENCE APPLICATIONS

(1) Applications Dealt with under Licences (Control) and Municipal Licence Ord. No. 19 of 1942 and the Borough By-Laws

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Applications Received	241	242	316	78	255	470	1493	237	53	274	409	40	264	178	4	460
Applications Approved	137	144	275	47	197	470	791	149	43	24	301	36	170	737	4	390
Applications Approved Subject to Requirements	98	97	41	29	56	53	477	78	7	59	97	4	89	38	0	69
Applications Disapproved	4	1	0	2	2	2	5	4	3	4	9	0	4	1	0	2
Applications Withdrawn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1

Key to Table:

1. Apothecary, Patent & Prop. Medicines.
2. Boarding Houses, Flats.
3. Repair Shop, Tailor, Fumigator.
4. Hairdresser, Dressmaker.
5. Refreshment Room, Entertainment House, Eating House.
6. Fresh Produce, Mineral Water Dealer.
7. General Dealer.
8. Hawker, Pedlar.
9. Laundry, Dry Cleaner, Receiving Depot.
10. Manufacturer.
11. Building Contractor, Contractor, Speculator, Demolition Continued.
12. Butcher.
13. Milk Purveyor.
14. Garage.
15. Undertaker.
16. Warehouse, Storage of Mineral Oil & Spirits.

(2) Applications Dealt with under Urban Areas Act:

- Applications Received 34
Applications Returned "Not in order" 0
Applications Returned with Requirements 1
Applications Approved 30
Applications Pending 3

STAFF

The Staff of the Department at 31st December, 1973 was as follows:

Administrative and Office

Medical Officer of Health	: J.P. O'Keefe, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.
Deputy Medical Officer of Health	: N.T.W. Pover, L.M.S.S.A., D.P.H.
Clinical Medical Officer	: P.H. Maier, Arts Examen, Netherlands.
Chief Clerk	: E. Belshaw, A.M.B.I.M., M.Inst. P.S.
Section Clerk	: G.H. Wolmarans
Administrative Assistants	: J.H.F. Bridges
	: D. Goodwin
	: P. du Toit
	: D.V. White, B.Com.
	: Mrs. A.M. Gibson
	: Vacant
Senior Women Clerical Assistants	: Miss Y.W. Gafney
	: Mrs. J. Reid
Women Clerical Assistants	: Mrs. R.M. Rowney
	: Mrs. N.M. Bester
	: Miss H.M. Lea
Asian Clerk : Female	: Vacant

Inspectorate

Chief Health Inspector	: A.M.H. King, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I.
Deputy Chief Health Inspector	: D.C. Johnston, Cert. R.S.I., Tropical Hygiene Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I.
Senior Health Inspector (Dairies)	: C.L.O. Iversen, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I., Tropical Hygiene Cert. R.S.I.
Senior Health Inspector	: R.D.W. Dutton, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I., Tropical Hygiene Cert. R.S.I., Adv. Knowledge of H.I., Diploma in Building and Public Works.
Dairy/Health Inspector	: R.M. Hibbert, National Diploma for Health Inspectors.
Health Inspectors	: S. Tulleken, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I., Tropical Hygiene Cert.
	: J.E. Butler, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I., Tropical Hygiene Cert.
	: J. Hamilton-Hoskins, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I., Tropical Hygiene Cert.
	: R. Conradie, Cert. R.S.I., Meat & Other Foods Cert. R.S.I.
	: H.D. Ryder, National Diploma for Health Inspectors.

Asian/

Inspectorate Continued

Asian Health Inspectors	: T. Naidoo, National Diploma for Health Inspectors.
	: S. Mudaly, National Diploma for Health Inspectors.
	: W. Khan, National Diploma for Health Inspectors.
	: Vacant Post (1)
Bantu Health Inspectors	: R. Mntungwa, Cert. R.S.I., National Diploma for Health Inspectors.
	: S.L. Dlamini, National Diploma for Health Inspectors.
Malaria Officer	: A. Imray
Rodent Officer	: G. Fairfield
General Inspectors	: R.C. Partridge
	: B.M. Beney
Asian General Inspector	: E. Ramjan
Coloured General Inspector	: Vacant

Health Visiting

Senior Health Visitor	: Miss E.E. Holcomb, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.I., Mothercraft Cert.
Health Visitors	: Mrs. I. Ellis, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.I., Reg. Mental Nurse, S.A.N.C.
	: Mrs. D. Evans, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.I.
	: Mrs. B.A. Mitchell, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
	: Mrs. J.A.M. Bassage, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
	: Miss D.A. Cheesman, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
	: Miss L.M. Todd, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
Clinic Sister	: Vacant
Clinic Clerks	: Mrs. A.M. Bang
	: Mrs. J.M. O'Connor
	: Mrs. V. Reid
Bantu Health Visitors	: Mrs. B.S. Shange, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
	: Miss N. Manaka, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
	: Mrs. M.J. Mapena, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
Asian Health Visitors	: Mrs. S. Badrudeen, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
	: Mrs. P. Moodley, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
Coloured Health Visitor	: Mrs. T.M. Singh, Health Visitor's Cert. R.S.H.
Bantu Clinic Clerk	: Mrs. M. Nzimande
Asian Clinic Clerk	: Mrs. A. Pillay

Bantu/

Bantu Nursing and Health Assistant

Bantu Nurse (Sobantu Village Dispensary)	: Nurse E.D.B. Manyathi, S.A.N.C. Cert. (Medical & Surgical)
District Bantu Nurse	: Nurse L. Ngubane, S.A.N.C. Cert. (General and Midwifery)
District Bantu Midwife (Sobantu Village)	: Nurse I. Ngcobo, S.A.N.C. Cert. (General and Midwifery)
Bantu Health Assistants	: H. Lange, P. Matlapeng, E. Ngcobo, M.E. Khumalo.

Family Planning

Nursing Assistant	: Mrs. M. Marshall
Clinic Clerks	: Mrs. M.M. Cillie
	: Mrs. R. Spalding
Health Educator/Clerks (Bantu)	: A.A.M. Nzimande
	: G. Dladla
Health Educator/Clerk (Asian)	: N.C. Phillips

Non-European Infectious Diseases Hospital

Matron	: Mrs. J.M.F. Umpleby
Male Nurse	: Vacant
Housekeeper	: Mrs. A. Roberts
Bantu Sisters	: S.I. Masuku
	: S. Mtiya
	: T.B. Mavimbela
	: B.E. Ntunyiswa
	: E.M. Mahlobo
	: Y.T. Langa
	: R. Ndlovu
	: M. Conco
	: J.M. Mkize
	: B.G. Mbele
	: G.T. Mcunu
	: W. Makatini
Bantu Enrolled Auxiliary Nurses	: 2
Bantu Nurse Aides	: 7
Bantu Orderly	: 1

Pass Office Examination and Miniature X-Ray Clinic

Senior Clerk/Radiographer	: P.E.G. Gibson
Clerk/Radiographer	: F.G. Horne
Bantu Clerks	: 3

GERIATRICS

As at 31st December, 1973, approximately 10% of females of the White group resident in the City were aged 65 years or over, and 7,7% males. Comparative figures for Asians were 2% female and 2% male. Similar figures in respect of the Bantu group cannot be reliably estimated.

The above figures shew why it is not surprising, therefore, that many organisations in the City have the aged White group as their concern. The main organisation is the Pietermaritzburg and District Council for the Care of the Aged (P.A.D.C.A.), a voluntary body which is a registered welfare organisation. This Council runs social welfare services in respect of the Aged and amongst other things, these services include Meals-on-Wheels, the provision of Home Helps, and the successful running of a Senior Citizens Club (over the age of 55 years). The organisation also controls the Sunnyside Park Home for the "Frail" Aged, the Azalea Park Home and Walmsley House - both the latter providing accommodation for the "Normal" Aged. For all three homes, priority is given to citizens of Pietermaritzburg and District, and they have proved to be so much in demand that there are long waiting lists for each.

In about 1936, the King George V Memorial Homes for Aged Couples were started through the efforts of Mr. A.T. Allison, and a few years later - again through his efforts, the Queen Mary Place Homes for Women were established. About 88 couples are in residence in the King George V Homes, whilst about 130 women live in the Queen Mary Place Homes.

In near proximity to the above, is the Victoria Memorial Home for Men, and the N.C.V.V. Home for Women. In the suburb of Wembley is the privately-run Villa Assumpta Home for elderly, but otherwise normal, women.

Lastly, the Garfield Nursing Home is a geriatric unit which undertakes the care of the frail elderly.

This brief outline does give some indication of the efforts made by charitable and private agencies towards the care of the senior citizen of the City and district, and it is pleasing to know how great are the continuing efforts of these people to ever expand the services that are offered.

HOUSING

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The bulk of Non-White dwellings was provided by the Municipality, but all White housing was completed privately.

All plans of new buildings are submitted by the City Engineer to this Department for observation, and the following table (with last year's figures in brackets) reflect the major increase:

Approved Outright	Approved subject to alterations	Disapproved	Referred for additional information & not yet dealt with	Total Submitted
1 070 (571)	994 (891)	523 (281)	12 (25)	2 599 (1 768)

A. Private Enterprise

The number of dwellings completed was 411 (276 White, 16 Coloured and 119 Asian). Of the nine blocks of flats erected, seven (total 108 units) were for Whites, and two (total 22 units for Asians).

Seven blocks of flats were incorporated with shops, offices, etc. The one for Whites consisted of 70 flats, and the six for Asians had 29 units.

B. Municipal Housing

The demand for this type of housing, excluding Bantu, has shown a marked decrease for the first time in five years. This was due mainly to the completion of 1 580 Economic houses at Northdale 7 for Asians, together with 44 ultra-sub-economic houses for slum replacement of Coloureds.

The waiting lists for Municipal houses over the past five years reflects the trend:

	<u>1973</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1969</u>
White	249	346	411	650	600
Coloured	468	555	435	380	350
Asian	1 416	2 540	2 462	2 100	2 100
Total	2 133	3 441	3 308	3 140	3 050

The situation regarding Municipal housing at 31st December, 1973, was:

Whites

No new houses were erected during the year, but the planning for Grange Stage 2 had reached an advanced stage, and preparations were being made to invite tenders. This development will consist of 600 houses, and 11 blocks of flats containing 144 units.

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This new suburb will be known as Eastwood and will, at first, consist of 100 ha. housing 5 000 persons. This will be followed by developing the adjoining 220 ha., with sufficient housing for 15 000 Coloureds.

It is satisfying to note that Council has approved of the principle of community buildings, including clinics, being installed in the initial stages of all projects.

The large scale development for Coloured housing has been necessitated by the large Factor of Increase of this race. All population projections for Pietermaritzburg place the Coloured growth rate as the highest of all ethnic groups.

Asians

Construction continues on the Northdale Stage 7 economic scheme, and during the year, 1 580 of the proposed 2 159 houses had been completed. Further, all 298 sub-economic houses of Northdale Stage 8 had been finished and let.

General

The Municipality has a total of 6 167 housing units available (Whites 1 096, Coloureds 684 and Asian 4 387). There has been a substantial increase in dwellings administered by the Estates Department over the past five years:

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Asian	3 226	2 059	2 059	2 063	1 995
Total	4 986	3 812	3 625	3 381	3 112

(These figures were taken at 31st July annually).

One Asian compound is owned by the Municipality, and houses 300 Asians at the Sewage Farm. There are 26 houses and six rooms, well constructed in brick. Workers at the farm and their families are accommodated.

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C. Bantu

The responsibility for Bantu housing was assumed during the year by the newly-formed Drakensberg Bantu Affairs Administration Board, the headquarters of which are in Pietermaritzburg.

There are three hostels for single Bantu in Pietermaritzburg. For men, the East Street hostel and annexes house 1 800, and the Imbali hostel 3 456. The Women's hostel in Church Street accommodates 250.

Other housing needs for Bantu are met by Sobantu Village, about five km. from the City Hall, and containing 1 091 occupied houses as well as various public buildings. Although there is room for expansion, the Government will not permit the extension of this 15-year-old scheme.

The newer schemes, at Imbali, are now the focus of expansion for Bantu housing. Stage 1, comprising 1 567 houses, is complete. Work on Stage 2 has begun, and by 31st December, 748 housing units had been handed over by the contractors.

D. Demolitions

A total of 62 houses (31 of which were mud huts) were demolished under the Local Government Ordinance, and there were 37 voluntary demolitions, making a total of 99 for the year.

